

A true line needs no lash

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Thoroughbreds

By Salvator

WITH the close of every season nowadays there comes another race between its champion horses.

It is that for the title: "Horse of the Year."

For several seasons past two different well-known magazines have bestowed titles and trophies to those horses which were honored in that manner.

One of them, Country Life, of New York, makes its award upon the grounds of personal selection by the editor, Peter Vischer.

The other, the Turf and Sport Digest, of Baltimore, conducts a poll of the leading turf writers "from coast to coast," to the number some 500.

Each of them gives the award wide publicity, together with an appropriate trophy, in the form of a plaque or something similar, to the owner of the animal chosen.

Country Life has just announced its selection for the title: to wit—

Alsab.

The poll of the Digest closed for the casting of votes upon December first and the result may have been announced before these comments are published.

In nominating Alsab for this high honor, Mr. Vischer stated that he was aware of the break with precedent which his choice constituted.

Alsab is a 2-year-old and hitherto it has been a sort of unwritten law that no horse so young should be eligible for the title—this because he has raced only against opponents of his own tender age and is therefore hors concours in relation to a contest against the entire body of race horses of all ages. It being impossible to state, save by sheer guess work, how he would have fared had

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J. H. Whitney's 'Chasers At Agua Caliente To Start Racing

The first steeplechase race of this season at Agua Caliente is to be carded on Sunday, December 13, under the auspices of the Baja California Jockey Club. Judge George W. Shilling worked long and hard in the east, rounding up the best possible 'chasers to compete on the west coast. John Hay Whitney's string of 5, also 4 flat horses and Kennebunk, 2-year-old and Harford, yearling from the Hitchcock sale, have arrived to augment the big string of jumpers already on hand for the winter's racing.

The first steeplechase at Caliente
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N. Y. Hound Show Cancels Plans Due To War

The New York Hound Show under the chairmanship of J. Watson Webb, was to have been held on January 30 in New York and the committee was to have announced plans this week. Due to the war, the show has been cancelled and will not be held this year. This show annually brings together foxhunters and beaglers from all over the country, members of the Masters of Foxhounds Association, the National Beagle Club and the American Foxhound Club. It will be greatly missed by many sportsmen. The show was held last year in the Riding and Polo Club under the able direction of Wadsworth Howard. Mr. Webb who is secretary and treasurer of the Masters of Foxhounds Association and Master of his Shelburne Hounds was making extensive plans for a great show this year when war declarations cut preparations short.

Kathleen N. Victor In Hunter Division At Cleveland Show

Hugh O'Neill's Billy
Outstanding Open Jumper
With Joe O'Neill Up

By POLLY BRAND

The Cleveland Fall Horse Show which was held at the 107th Cavalry Armory in Cleveland, Ohio, drew record crowds both in attendance and entries during the 3-day show the week-end of November 27, 28 and 29. Mrs. Cary Jackson came up from Orange, Va. to judge the hunter and jumper divisions; and Morton Govern from Port Chester, N. Y. more than accommodated the committee by judging the junior division, which turned out to be one of the largest in the history of the show.

The increased interest in the younger generation is largely due to George Carter, who so ably manages the show and is one of the sole supporters behind these youngsters.

Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon's Kathleen N., a good looking brown mare by Hydromel—Betsy L., took the hunter championship by winning the 5-year-old and under, the ladies' and the handy hunter classes and placing 2nd to Holystone, Mr. Crispin Oglebay's great chestnut gelding, in the model class. Hunting Hill's (Mrs. Gregory McIntosh) grey gelding—
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International Horse Show In Chicago Draws Best Attendance In History

Vee Jay Captures Opening Show At Buffalo

By EDWARD DICKINSON

Popular and sportsmanlike Dr. V. J. Levy of Rochester, N. Y. rode his own Vee Jay, a heavyweight son of Brumado, to win the novice jumping class at the Buffalo, N. Y. horse show on Saturday, December 6. This show opened the winter season of shows at the Saddle and Bridle Club of Buffalo which season consists, generally, of four to six programs about a month apart. In this opening show the first event was for novice jumpers and Vee Jay who has had a wealth of seconds, thirds, and fourths finally turned in a performance under his owner's hands for a blue. Of the 13 entries Vee Jay was the third to take the ring and the first to furnish a clean performance. Other clean performances came from Mrs. Mary S. Geracci's Callen. William Seigler's Lucky Bachelor who was dashing ridden by Miss Alice Trautman, Robert Lang Miller's Stormer, owner up, and Roy Smith's cold blooded Old Fashioned who is looked upon as the clown of western New York's horse world. In the jump-off that followed these five clean performances Vee Jay had one fault—it was made up of two front touches on the 7th and 8th jumps, while Callen bowed to six and one-half faults and had the red. Lucky Bachelor went at his jumps so wildly and so rapidly that in the jump-off he had three faults and then fell and lost his rider on the last jump. But no injury resulted and Miss Trautman appeared in the ring in other jumping events.

The open jumping went to Meadow Lane Stable's Fast Time, ridden by Miss Elizabeth Ginther who had the only clean performance in the class; while Mr. and Mrs. Dan Conway's Edminton, Mr. Conway up, had one fault and the red ribbon. Richard Lang Miller with Hi-Fidelity and two faults had the yellow, and since merely getting over the jumps was all that was required, he fared as he deserved though from his speed and slanting way of going into his jumps, usually heading for the corner of rail and wing, I should not care to hunt him. But his owner up, rode beautifully.

A knock down and out class closed the show, with Robert Lang Miller's Stormer, mentioned above, winning it with a performance that covered everyone of the four foot, wingless jumps, including a triple bar.
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Master Johnnie Displays Top Form To Capture 4 Blues For Mrs. A. C. Thompson

By DOROTHY SCOTT

Of the some 108 various events at the International Live Stock Exposition Horse Show, covering draft horses, saddle horses, harness horse, stock horse, pony, roadster and local riding divisions, 15 were for hunters and jumpers. The final class of the week (November 29 through December 6), saw the veteran Master Johnnie, owned by Happy Way Farm, of Oak Lawn, Ill., go cleanly to win the \$1,000 Champion Hunter Stake, which in a way one might consider emblematic of a tricolor accomplishment.

If such a reckoning may be made, as the show had no championship classes, then Mrs. J. A. Blackwood's Lucky Number, of Metamora, Mich., and Miss Nancy Miller's Golden Bow, of Chicago, Ill., who placed 2nd and 3rd in the stake, would be well up for reserves. There were some 35 good hunters in the show.

In the open jumping, there is little doubt but that the consistent White Oak, owned by George Sadler, of Indianapolis, Ind., was the best consistent performer last week in the International Amphitheatre, out near the Stock Yards, in Chicago, Ill.

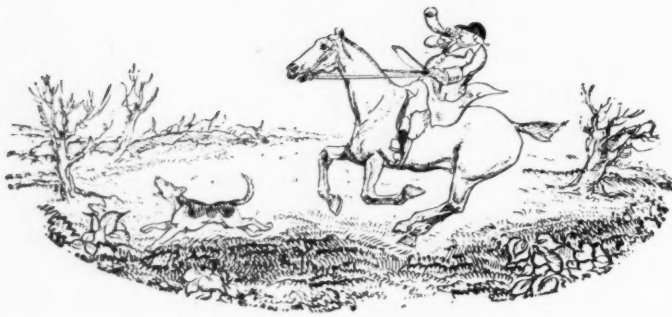
The Chronicle has last week carried my notes of the classes of the opening two days. I shall therefore write of the remaining hunting and jumping contests in sequence:

The first hunter class was run off Monday evening when the lightweights competed. Eddie Bruhns rode Mrs. A. C. Thompson's Master Johnnie to win over a nice field. Master Johnnie made a clean record for this show with 4 blue ribbons from his 4 classes, as he went on to win the ladies', the open and the hunter stake. Mrs. A. E. Reuben's Hasty Lassie turned in a very classy performance to be awarded 2nd in the lightweight; Mrs. John B. Stokley rode her Best Le Sou 3rd, Stanley Luke was on his Just So and Mrs. Margaret Kerckhoff rode On the Beam.

Middle and Heavyweight

The middleweights and heavyweights were shown Wednesday afternoon. Clark Brown did a nice job of handling Mrs. Grace P. Sherman's Flying Andy to win. Flying Andy is a campaigner of many seasons but has not been shown so much recently, and all those who knew his record enjoyed seeing his win.
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Hunting Notes:-



"Deer Proof" Hounds Of Southern New Jersey Give Good Account Of Themselves

W. NEWBOLD ELY, M. F. H.

In last week's Chronicle, we mentioned the "deer proof" foxhounds of southern New Jersey and volunteered to give a brief account of their hunting.

It is a grey fox country comprising almost limitless miles of bright scrub pine, stretching away as flat as a green table to the distant marshes of the blue Atlantic down where red foxes thrive in an amazing manner, praised by the nautical gentlemen because they keep down the swamp rats that run up their hawsers. Back of the pine country the New Jersey vegetable farms and orchards stretch back clear to Delaware where the famous Gloucester Hunt carried on in Revolutionary days.

In this in-between country the Jersey pines are interlaced by narrow sandy log "roads" with formidable cranberry bogs every few miles.

Our Pennsylvania grey foxes usually have as much nerve and enterprise as a member of the Vichy cabinet and sneak around in thick cover for twenty minutes or so before going in some rocks or up a tree. These Jersey greys are, however, of sterner stuff and run more like those in the Carolinas and Georgia. They make "points" of two or three miles from swamp to swamp, and occasionally, actually go away for ten miles straight.

This is known as the Jersey deer country and these foxhounds are broken off deer by having dozens of school children out at the "deer crossings", each child being commissioned to try to tackle one hound as it tears by on the trail of a deer. The hound is then licked within an inch of its life. If two or three thrashings do not do the trick, the culprit is disposed of.

Gradually a pack is developed which will not run a deer. Young hounds are kept in their "hound vans" until the pack is hot on a fox and then "thrown in".

The "vans" are pick-up trucks with a super structure in back like the top and sides of a tremendous dog crate with a door in back.

The "masters" bring their hounds to the "meet" in much the same way that they do on the Eastern Shore of Maryland where so many outstanding hounds are developed on the same principle. Hounds that babble, back track, skirt, etc., are a source of no small embarrassment to their owners and consequently soon are disposed of.

In New Jersey hounds may be hunted all year round and this fox-hunting does not miss a month, not even stopping in July for crops as

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Monday, November 17

From Lima at 8:30 this morning a small field of six followed hounds up country through Darlington and the rough trappy Dohan hills to Markham and Thornton. Gunners abroad over the week end evidently gave 'ware notices to all foxes. It was pleasant enough to be outdoors on a horse in view of hounds and sky and fields and meadows. Completely uneventful, however. Even our green hunters conducted themselves impeccably. Hastings, frankly bored, "Why didn't I stay at college?" he queried.

Tuesday, November 18

Hounds met at Mr. Jeffords gate at 1:30. I gave up hunting today to hear Dr. Schumann of Williams speak on Federal Union. A really great speech. I have no regrets, therefore, and record blithely,—from Louis' graphic account,—the swift run from Pickering where hounds, "a-tonguin' fit to kill", led into Delchester and then on a right turn up the hill through Mr. Piersol's to Providence Road. Straight up the hill alongside the road they chorused, then down the hill almost to Gradyville Road. Just this side of the pines they turned right and swept across fields and up and down dale to Hunting Hill, thence through the Jeffords across the road into the Yarnall woods. The pace was too fast for the pilot and, deciding to live to run another day, he went to earth. "Yes'm we wuz movin'. The Crow—he wuz a-rollin'."

Thursday, November 20

When I reached the kennels today at 1:30, I overheard Louis' remark to a black barn cat arching her back and rubbing against his leg—(all animals love Louis)—"Git away fum me, cat," he said. "Ah ain't fren'ly with nuthin' blacker'n mah sef." I realized as I mounted and rode off with a field of about

they do in Maryland because there are no crops, except the cranberries in their bogs. When the weather is too hot in the summer months, they hunt at night. The worst handicap in certain seasons is the mosquitoes, and even though the local nimrods may sally forth enveloped in mosquito netting like a Brazilian jungle expedition, hounds are exposed and consequently there is a great deal of heartworm in the packs. In fact, many of their best hounds are so afflicted that they are no good after a few seasons.

Next week we'll run a few notes written after a hunt to give an idea of what these astounding affairs are like.

30 in the wake of M. F. H. Alexander Sellers, Huntsman Crossan and hounds toward the Lewis-Hart woods, that it was the first time I ever saw Louis withdraw from the attentions of any fourfooted thing.

In the open field beyond the Lewis-Hart woods hounds jumped a fox sunning himself on the side of the hill and sang out in a sudden joyful chorus. It ended, however, just as suddenly, for the fox beat a speedy retreat to earth. After that we followed on a wide loop through the Stokes property across Providence Road through fields and woods—some trappy rocky going and a couple of desperate, motheaten chicken coops bounded by wire—to Garret Williamson's and on through the polo grounds and Snake House back to the kennels. We invariably have our poorest going in November. Gunners and foxes don't "gee!"

Saturday, November 22

Hounds met at Thornton at 9:30 this morning. A small Saturday field of about 10 (the Penn-Cornell and Princeton-Navy games taking toll even of fox hunters) followed M. F. H. Alexander Sellers and hounds through the Thornton coverts towards Broadmeadows. Again—plenty of gunners and no foxes in view! Pleasant fox hunting reminiscence enlivened the waits between coverts. Foster Reeve's account of an incident in a day's run merits telling. It was in the days when at the season's end Rose Tree Hounds and hunters enjoyed for a week the hospitality of West Chester.

Somewhere in 'he West Chester country hounds were in full chorus going away across pastures and meadows ahead and wire, wire everywhere rose up to confound the field. Then someone spied a narrow set in of picket snow fence, one of those red lath affairs, stuck in at a corner as if wire had run short. Joyfully surging to this point the riders discovered a large placid, reddish brown cow leaning directly against the fence (and calmly chewing her cud, of course!). But nothing daunted—after all who would let a cow dare him!—they sailed over, seven of them, one after another, clearing snow fence and cow in devil may care abandon and sailing on in pursuit of chorusing hounds. "Queer thing", concluded Mr. Reeve, "that cow never budged an inch." Queer—my eye! If you had a bunch of whirling dervishes sailing over your head, would you, could you budge?

It was after 12 when in the woods beyond Broadmeadows, hounds began to tongue eagerly but a little uncertainly at first. We all held our breath. Then it came—a strong full chorus. We swung after them through the woods and across a cart road into more woods, very trappy with streams and ditches, then up a hill into an open field.

Here hounds, doubling back, swung through the same woods into a meadow and on up a hill to the edge of another woods. At this point they checked for a moment before they turned left and swung at a swift pace in full chorus through Broadmeadows across fields and pastures to Thornton and on towards Glen Mills.

On a check following hounds up an embankment into an open field. I saw some pretty hound work and an exhibition of hound human nature as well. Peace, a daughter of Harmony, evidently had the line—she was nosing eagerly and vibrating her stern passionately. Along came Music directly behind her, picked up the line, tongued at once and carried off the honors! Why do

we ever think hounds are different from humans?

After an hour's good going, for which we were duly grateful, hounds lost on a ploughed field and we all went home to eat, to drink, to invite our souls, or "perchance to sleep," Even as body and spirit listed!

—P. G. G.

MONMOUTH COUNTY HUNT

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Hunting started slowly here due to the drought, but hare have been plentiful and with a good hard rain late in October and beautiful weather, hunting conditions have been superlative for the most part this month and we have had better sport here than we've ever had. Jerseyville, one of the favorite fixtures, has not disappointed us, and Holmdel, which has been nearly blank for years, has given us a number of good days.

Illness kept me in bed for 10 days early in the month, and as usual when one is on the ground, I missed several fine runs. In particular, Armistice Day, when the Prentice woods were drawn blank. However after that, Huntsman Smith trotted hounds up to the pastures and a good jack was found. The dog hounds hunted him well under good conditions and gave a large field a fast half hour over the formidable Prentice fences. This day was celebrated by the hunt, as Hon. whipper-in Bourne Ruthrauff became the proud father of Wilbur B. Ruthrauff, named for his sporting grandfather, whose death last March was such a loss to hunting and racing.

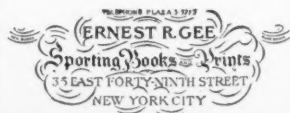
Thanksgiving was unfortunate. Once again the ground was terribly dry, and a large field was disappointed that after finding two different jacks, hounds were unable to give any real sport, though they were trying all the time. This was especially trying as three of our members were out for the first time this season—Shippen Geer, who had a nasty fall at a small wired in barway but escaped injury; Harry Neuberger, whose Gabriel (famed for his horns) won the hunter trials championship here, and Louis Gimbrel up from his army job in Washington.

Rain on Sunday gave us good conditions once again and we had 4 bang-up days to finish the month out. The dog pack met at the Poole farm in Marlboro on Mon. the 24th. We found two hare early who were not spectacular. But just as we were about to put our horses in the vans, a good jack got up on the H. G. Smith farm in East Freehold and

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The Sporting Calendar

Racing Calendar

DECEMBER

1-20—Charles Town Jockey Club, Charles Town, W. Va.
 1. for 32 Sundays. Agua Caliente, Baja California Jockey Club, Mexico.
 21-Mar. 16. Santa Anita Park, Los Angeles Turf Club, Arcadia, Cal.
 California Breeders' Champion Stakes, 1 ml., 2-year-olds; Cal. bred, Wed., Dec. 31.
 San Gabriel 'Cap, 6 f., 3 & up; Thurs., Jan. 1 \$10,000 Added
 Santa Susana Stakes, 6 f., 3-year-old fillies; Sat., Jan. 3 \$10,000 Added
 San Felipe Stakes, 6 f., 3-year-old colts and geldings; Sat., Jan. 3 \$10,000 Added
 San Marcos 'Cap, 1 1-16 ml., 3 & up; Sat., Jan. 17 \$25,000 Added
 San Pasqual 'Cap, 7 f., 3-year-olds; Sat., Jan. 24 \$10,000 Added
 Santa Margarita 'Cap, 1 ml., 3 & up, fillies and mares; Sat., Jan. 24 \$10,000 Added
 San Vicente 'Cap, 1 ml., 3-year-olds; Sat., Feb. 7 \$10,000 Added
 Santa Catalina 'Cap, 1 1-16 ml., 3 & up, Cal. bred, Sat., Feb. 14 \$20,000 Added
 San Carlos 'Cap, 7 f., 3 & up, Sat., Feb. 21 \$10,000 Added
 Santa Anita Derby, 1 1/4 ml., 3-year-olds; Wed., Feb. 25 \$50,000 Added
 San Antonio 'Cap, 1 1-16 ml., 3 & up, Sat., Feb. 28 \$10,000 Added
 Santa Maria Stakes, 3 1/2 f., 2-year-olds, Cal. bred, Wed., Mar. 4 \$10,000 Added
 Santa Anita 'Cap, 1 1/4 ml., 3 & up, Sat., Mar. 7 \$100,000 Added
 Santa Barbara Stakes, 3 1/2 f., 2-year-olds, Wed., Mar. 11 \$10,000 Added
 San Juan Capistrano 'Cap, 1 7-16, 3 & up, Sat., Mar. 14 \$50,000 Added
 San Fernando, conditions and dist. to be announced Feb. 28, 3 & up, Wed., Mar. 16.
 20-Jan. 13. Tropical Park, Winter Meeting, Gables Racing Assn., Coral Gables, Fla.
 Inaugural Handicap, 6 f., 3 & up, Sat., Dec. 20 \$2,500 Added
 The Kendall, 1 ml. & 70 yds, 3 & up, Mon., Dec. 22 \$1,200 Purses
 The Okeechobee, 6 f., 3 & up, Tues., Dec. 23 \$1,200 Purses
 The Christmas Eve, 1 1-16 ml., 3 & up, Wed., Dec. 24 \$1,200 Purses
 Christmas Handicap, 1 ml. 70 yds, 3 & up, Thurs., Dec. 25 \$2,500 Added
 The Dania, 1 1-16 ml., 3 & up, Fri., Dec. 26 \$1,200 Purses
 Key West Handicap, 6 f., 2-year-olds, Sat., Dec. 27 \$2,500 Added
 The Miami Shores, 6 f., 3 & up, Mon., Dec. 29 \$1,200 Purses
 The Pompano, 1 1-16 ml., 3 & up, Tues., Dec. 30 \$1,200 Purses
 The New Year's Eve, 6 f., 3 & up, Wed., Dec. 31 \$1,200 Purses
 Orange Bowl Handicap, 3 & up, 1 1-16 ml., Thurs., Jan. 1 \$2,500 Added
 Winter Handicap, 3 & up, 6 f., Sat., Jan. 3 \$2,500 Added
 Defense Handicap, 3 & up, 1 1/4 ml., Sat., Jan. 10 \$3,000 Added
 (All above handicaps overnight)
 25-Feb. 17. Fair Grounds Breeders and Racing Assn.
 Pontchartrain Handicap, Christmas Day, Dec. 25 \$2,500 Added
 (Address all communications to Fair Grounds Race Course, New Orleans, La., Sylvester W. Labrot, Chairman).

JANUARY

14-Mar. 7. Hialeah Park, Miami Jockey Club, Inc., Miami, Fla.
 Hialeah Park, Inaugural Handicap, 6 f., 3 & up, Wed., Jan. 14. (close Nov. 15.)
 Hialeah Stakes, 6 f., 3-year-olds, Sat., Jan. 17 \$5,000 Added
 Palm Beach Handicap, 7 f., 3 & up, Sat., Jan. 24 \$5,000 Added
 Miami Beach Handicap, 1 1-16 ml., on turf, 3 & up, Sat., Jan. 31 \$5,000 Added
 Bahamas Handicap, 7 f., 3-year-olds, Sat., Feb. 7 \$5,000 Added
 Evening Handicap, 7 f., 3 & up, fillies & mares, Sat., Feb. 14 \$5,000 Added
 McLennan Memorial Handicap, 1 1/4 ml., 3 & up, Sat., Feb. 21. (close Nov. 15.) \$10,000 Added
 Flamingo Stakes, 1 1/4 ml., 3 & up, Sat., Feb. 23. (close Nov. 15.) \$25,000 Added
 Black Helen Handicap, 1 1/4 ml., 3 & up, fillies and mares, Mon., Mar. 2. (close Nov. 15.) \$10,000 Added
 Hialeah Juvenile Stakes, 3 f., 2-year-olds, Sat., Mar. 7 \$5,000 Added
 Widener Handicap, 1 1/4 ml., 3 & up, Sat., Mar. 7. (close Nov. 15.) \$50,000 Added
 (Stakes close approximately one week prior to date of running, unless otherwise stated)

Hunter Trial Calendar

FEBRUARY

23—Camden Hunter Trials, Camden, S. C.

Horse Show Calendar

DECEMBER

13—Brooklyn, N. Y.
 20-21—The Virginians' Horse Show, Camden, S. C.

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Monmouth Harriers

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ran straight as a dye and as fast as she could go all the way back to where we had met four hours earlier.

Hounds worked well and we were going fast most of the time. We checked on plow after 20 fast minutes, and Mr. Haskell cast hounds and they cleverly got her up again and pushed her on still going due west, checking again on plow. Here she turned, and too quickly and was almost chopped, but she escaped and as she appeared nearly done and as we had been hunting for 5 hours, Mr. Haskell decided to call it a day.

Wednesday, Everett's proved blank, but hounds were taken up to the Prentice's which is so dependable this season. The hare there did not disappoint us, and she gave us another nice day.

But the piece de resistance was Friday, the 28th at Montrose. This meet had not been on the fixture card this season so we had no idea what to expect, and the day was made more doubtful as the new owners of the old Barry farm, one of the largest in the vicinity, are not hospitable to the hunt and this entire place is closed to us. However the weather was lovely, the going absolutely perfect and a small, though congenial, field was out, though both Mr. and Mrs. Haskell had to be content to follow in cars, as the master has a bad infected eye and Mrs. Haskell dislocated a vertebra hunting 10 days ago.

Smith drew hounds south and we all larked for an hour, enjoying the September like day. We came to the Schenck farm where a hare was likely, she did not disappoint us. Indeed not!!—she proved to be the straightest necked jack in the whole county!!

But first she ran up to the old Barry place, which was discouraging,—hounds lost her, but while we watched from below, hoping they'd go on without assistance from Smith, they cast themselves and flew along the brow of the hill, a lovely sight to see. (Bill Foles made the remark that this picture would make a perfect Christmas card). And then on out of sight, giving tongue in a most thrilling chorus.

So we all pulled ourselves together, jammed our hats down for a real ride, skirted the Barry farm and went over the most perfect line of fences, all on turf and the best of going. Hounds by this time were way ahead, but they checked on the Wilkins farm and gave us a chance to catch up. A quick cast and we were on again, straight on to Phalanx, where they checked again, after a half hour absolutely straight and going full open. Here she circled back to the Matthews farm, where hounds checked again. When she got up once more, she tried to head back over the same line, but Whipper-in Lee Van Brunt headed her and she went straight west over another different and grand line of country. Then turned again and circled to the upper Maisel farm, where we checked, and decided to leave her for another day. Hound work was brilliant and exciting. We had the bitch pack, and leading all the way with never a fault was Monmouth County Vanity, three times champion at the New York Hound show. Entered three seasons ago, she is by Mr. Reynal's famous best of show champion Monarch, out of Pockwood Vera. When her dam died, Vanity was only a few days old, so Mrs. Smith took her home and, to the destruction of her home almost, raised her on a bottle. She

should be very proud of her protégée.

After leaving our miraculous hare, we drew on down to the Bell farm where we got up another good jack who also was a bold straight one, and ran us back over the Thompson farm to the big pasture fields on the Maisel place. Here after a nice ride over good country, Sylvia Beadleston came a cropper when her Footloose, bred and raised by the Haskell's and one of the best of the local hunters, decided to disprove his excellent reputation and stopped at a big chicken coop. Sylvia, however, kept on going, sat on top of the coop and laughing, continued to slide on down the opposite side. This comical fall did not prove quite so funny, as she later discovered her finger was broken though she finished the day.

The hare circled around the big pasture with hounds very close. Suddenly she sat, turned and looked at us as if to say she'd had enough and then disappeared as if on an elevator. We galloped up to investigate and found she had gone to ground. This is most unusual as hare seldom do this.

So the day proved different from many angles! And what a day! The consensus of opinion was that it was certainly one of the best, if not the very best, we've ever had here since Mr. Haskell started the harrier pack 10 years ago. That first jack was so straight that it was more like a top fox. The second was bold and good too, and it is certainly nice to know they are there for another day.

And Saturday at Jerseyville was a better than average day. We have two hare there—one near the Five Points, the other on the Adelphia side, that never disappoint us. We

had good runs on both of these, and also on a third hare which we accounted for—all going over good country.

Capping off the month right, I took a busman's holiday today and had a nice though cold afternoon with Mr. Gambrill's Vernon-Somerset Beagles in Far Hills. This perfectly mannered pack and genial master gave us a pleasant day, finishing with tea at the Pierpont's. Everyone was most hospitable and it was fun seeing the difference in the way these two packs are hunted.

This month with Monmouth has really been top sport, brilliant hound work, despite the handicap of the often dusty going. It is a shame that so many of our field are away, either in the army or navy—(and London in the RAF where Hon. Whipper-in Gaddis Plum is finishing his second year, and a loss to sport here). Sport has never been better or hare more plentiful or hound work so good, and we hope that December and the rest of the season will continue as well—not to mention the perfect weather!—N. G. Heller.

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Middle Tennessee Horsemen Sponsor 2nd Race Meeting

Activities To Revive Racing Feature \$1,500 Iroquois Memorial Steeplechase

By BOB RULE

Middle Tennessee's effort to revive its heritage as a breeding and racing center is proceeding according to schedule, with plans already under way for the 2nd running of the \$1,500 Iroquois Memorial Steeplechase early next spring.

The Middle Tennessee Horseman's Association, sponsor of the event which attracted an estimated crowd of 35,000 for its inaugural running last May in picturesque Percy Warner Park, has resumed activities 5 months in advance of the next event.

An earlier date is being considered, and indications point to the last Saturday in April as the probable time for the Iroquois in 1942. The purse for the feature race in all probability will be the same as in 1941—\$1,500.

The race course, called by many visitors "the most beautiful in America", is receiving close attention. Thousands of pounds of grass seed were sowed on the track immediately after last May's race and excellent footing appears certain for the next race.

Landscaping work also has been done. Small trees which obscured view of a portion of the race last spring will be removed before the 2nd running. Many other improvements are contemplated by the Horsemen's Association and will be carried out in the near future.

Already steps have been taken to relieve the traffic problem which presented itself unexpectedly last spring.

Great improvement also is noticeable in the jumps. The hedge has been carefully cared for and the 9 barriers on the 1½-mile oval will be considerably higher by the time of the next race.

The program for the next Iroquois also is expected to undergo a change, with flat racing and steeplechasing making up the entire card. Smaller secondary races held last year are expected to be eliminated.

Many horsemen from various sections of the country have expressed their intentions of shipping jumpers and runners here shortly after the first of the year to begin training for the 1942 season.

P. T. Cheff of Holland, Mich., president of the Holland Furnace Co., will return soon with his horses. "After freezing to death all winter in this country, we are looking forward to returning to Nashville very shortly," Jimmy Helder, trainer-rider for Cheff, wrote local officials recently.

The race was named for Iroquois, only American-bred horse ever to win the English Derby. Iroquois, by Leamington out of Maggie B. B., by Australian, spent his last days and is buried at Belle Meade Stud here, at one time regarded as the foremost breeding establishment in America. Belle Meade Stud was owned by Gen.

Brookmeade Farm's Jungle Moon Adds To Okapi Winners

Several Stallions Shifted To New Posts As 1941 Season Nears Conclusion

As the 1941 season draws to a close, a number of sires standing in the east are noted to have been assigned new quarters for the 1942 season. A former Marylander, **Ladkin**, was recently presented to the U. S. Front Royal Remount Depot by Adolphe Pons of Country Life Farm and so the winnings of his progeny now will be credited to the Old Dominion. **Idle Lad**, a 6-year-old son of **Ladkin**—**Idle Saint**, was outstanding in a field of platers at Tanforan on December 3 as he chalked up his 3rd victory for the season.

Mrs. Isabel Dodge Sloane's **Okapi**, who stood in Kentucky in 1941, is now standing at her Brookmeade Farm, Upperville, Va. At Charles Town on December 6, **Jungle Moon**, (**Okapi**—**Moon Dove**), accounted for his 2nd victory in as many starts to bring his total to 4.

Quatre Bras II will stand at Walter Chrysler, Jr.'s North Wales Stud and one of his progeny, **Wilbebest**, who has been at the post 24 times in allowances, handicaps and the middle brackets of claimers, accounted for a 6 furlong, 3-year-olds and upward, allowance, at Tanforan on December 5 to bring his total wins to 4.

Out of 27 Eastern-bred winners of purses aggregating \$12,650, 16 Virginia-breds accounted for \$8,400; 4 Maryland-breds, \$2,000; and New Jersey and Connecticut produced 2 each, while New York and Pennsylvania accounted for 1 each.

*BRIGHT KNIGHT (Va.)	
Bright Ann, 3, b. f. (Ann C., by Rockmaster), Tan., Dec. 3, 1 1-16 ml., 3 & up, allow., 1.49 4-5	\$ 700
CARUSO (N. J.)	
Real Boy, 3, b. c. (Real Lady, by Peter Pan), CT., Dec. 4, 4½ f., 3 & up, cl., .50 2-5	\$ 350
CHARLEY O. (Va.)	
Court Lass, 2, dk. b. f. (Court Lady, by Manager Walter), Tan., Dec. 4, 6 f., 2-yr-olds, cl., 1.17	\$ 700
*CHILHOWEE (Va.)	
Indian Sea, br. g. (Sea Saga, by Tryster), CT., Dec. 8, 6½ f., 3 & up, cl., 1.21	\$ 425
CONSTITUTION (Pa.)	
War Smoke, 3, b. f. (Firebird, by Out the Way), CT., Dec. 4, 6 f., 3-yr-olds, allow., 1.16 1-5	\$ 425
DR. FREELAND (Va.)	
Top Transit, 2, ch. g. (Wild Transit, by Wildair), CT., Dec. 3, 4½ f., 2-yr-olds, allow., .50	\$ 350
ESPINO (Va.)	
Cactaceous, 2, ch. f. (Amerisk, by Whisk Broom II), Tan., Dec. 2, 6 f., 2-yr-old mds., allow., 1.17 4-5	\$ 700
GRAND TIME (Va.)	
Olympian, 2, b. c. (Rose Goes, by He Goes), CT., Dec. 8, 7 f., 2-yr-olds, cl., 1.27 2-5	\$ 350
GROUCHER (Va.)	
Rough Time, 7, ch. g. (Sand Trap, by Trap Rock), CT., Dec. 8, 7 f., 3 & up, allow., 1.28 3-5	\$ 700
ENGLES CHARM (Va.)	
Engles Charm, 4, ch. g. (London Charm, by "Sun Charmer"), CT., Dec. 3, 6½ f., 3 & up, allow., 1.20	\$ 425
GROUCHY, 4, ch. f. (Double On, by On Watch), CT., Dec. 9, 1 1-16 ml., 3 & up, cl., 1.47 2-5	
*HAPPY ARGO (Va.)	
Mac's Cantor, 4, b. g. (Georgia Rose, by	

William Jackson.

Iroquois won every major race in England except one in a period of 12 months, finishing 1st 7 times and 2nd once, later beating the horse to which he finished 2nd. He breeds back to the Old Dominion's great horse of olden days, **Boston**. **Maggie B. B.**'s sire, **Australian**, is the foundation sire of the **Man o'War** line.

Awards To Be Made To 1941 Winners Of Steeplechasing

Fred Parks, secretary of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association and John Cooper, assistant secretary, are busy these days with working up complete statistical reports on the activities of steeplechasers during the 1941 season. These reports will be released shortly and will also include the complete summaries on hunt meetings.

As last year, an analysis of the season's 'chasing will be made from standpoint of money won and races won, of individual horses, owners and trainers. Likewise a report will be made on leading riders, professional and amateurs at the big tracks and at the hunt meetings.

Sweep, CT., Dec. 5, 7 f., 4 & up, cl., 1.30 3-5	
*KSAR (Va.)	
Miss Ksar, 4, b. f. (Miss Alwington, by "Bright Knight"), CT., Dec. 4, 7 f., 4 & up, cl., 1.26	\$ 350
LADKIN (Va.)	
Idle Lad, 6, ch. g. (Idle Saint, by "St. Germans"), Tan., Dec. 4, 1 1-16 ml., 3 & up, cl., 1.50	\$ 700
LUCULLITE (Va.)	
Glitter Girl, dk. br. f. (Humbug, by Marathon), CT., Dec. 8, 6½ f., 3 & up, cl., 1.21 2-5	\$ 425
MAYNE (Md.)	
Mr. Jim, 3, b. g. (Spinnaker, by Mainmast), CT., Dec. 5, 6½ f., 3-yr-olds, cl., 1.24 1-5	\$ 350
MUD (Pa.)	
Clay Hill, 3, ch. g. (Pretty Business, by "Spanish Prince II"), CT., Dec. 3, 6 f., 3 & up, cl., 1.18 2-5	\$ 350
OKAPI (Va.)	
Jungle Moon, 4, br. g. (Moon Dove, by Uncle), CT., Dec. 6, 1 1-16 ml., 3 & up, allow., 1.51 3-5	\$ 525
*OMAR KHAYYAM (Va.)	
Persian Queen, 3, ch. f. (Pennant Queen, by Pennant), CT., Dec. 8, 1 1-16 ml., 3-yr-olds, cl., 1.48 3-5	\$ 425
FLAYTIME (Conn.)	
Aldridge, 4, b. g. (Another Day, by Serapis), CT., Dec. 3, 7 f., 3 & up, cl., 1.26	\$ 350
Aldridge, 4, b. g. (Another Day, by Serapis), CT., Dec. 8, 6½ f., 3 & up, cl., 1.22	
*QUATRE BRAS II (Md.)	
Wilbebest, 3, br. g. (Sassaby, by Broomstick), Tan., Dec. 4, 6 f., 3 & up, allow., 1.14	\$ 700
*ROYAL FALCON (N. Y.)	
Falconiere, 2, ch. f. (Avila, by Tetra-tema), CT., Dec. 9, 6 f., 2-yr-olds, allow., 1.17 2-5	\$ 425
SIR JAMES (Md.)	
Rough Brigade, 4, br. g. (Bay Ord, by "Light Brigade"), CT., Dec. 8, 1 1-16 ml., 4 & up, cl., 1.47 4-5	\$ 525
*TOURNAMENT II (N. J.)	
Never Home, 8, dk. gr. m. (My Idol, by Superman), CT., Dec. 5, 4½ f., 3 & up, allow., .52	\$ 350
WAR HERO (Md.)	
Fair Hero, 3, b. c. (Lady Fair, by MacKenzie II), CT., Dec. 6, 7 f., 3 & up, cl., 1.28 3-5	\$ 425
WESTWICK (Va.)	
Berwyn, 5, ch. g. (Tramar, by Trap Rock), CT., Dec. 6, 6 f., 3 & up, cl., 1.19 1-5	\$ 425

The Chronicle's files include the above statistics, except from the stand-point of money won. Consequently this paper will await the release of the N. S. and H. A., before publishing the statistical summary of the season, at which time the announcement will be made of the leading 'chaser award of the big tracks, also the leading hunt meeting horse on basis of money won.

Certificates will be awarded for the recognition of the leading trainer of big tracks, leading rider of hunt meetings; leading owner at big tracks and leading owner at hunt meetings, on basis of number of races won. These certificates will have an embossed cut of the medallion, now being sculptured by Prvt. Gurdon Woods, sculptured by Prvt. Gurdon Woods, horse sculpture of national renown and will be presented by The Chronicle to the leading 'chaser and leading trainer.

Prvt. Woods, at Camp Croft, S. C., with the 35th Infantry Training Battalion, has been granted special permission by his commanding officer to accomplish this steeplechase award. Mr. Woods will finish this work shortly and will forward his cast to the silversmith. It is entirely possible that the presentation of the actual medallion will take place at a later date than the actual announcement, due to Private Woods' time limitations caused by his duties in the service.

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By Salvator

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he met older rivals.

This Mr. Vischer concedes.

He however, considers that Alsab is "above the battle" in this regard because, as the season was closing, Mr. Vanderbilt invited him to start against a field of aged horses in the Pimlico Special, a race expressly intended to decide the championship, irrespective of age or sex.

While the invitation was not accepted by Mr. and Mrs. Sabbath, they, in a public statement, saying that in view of the long and strenuous campaign Alsab had made, together with the necessity of conserving him for the 3-year-old classics in 1942, it did not seem wise to start him, at the same time the mere fact that he had been invited was most remarkable.

The Pimlico Special, as conditioned earlier in the season, was thrown open to the winners of a long list of the principal stake events of the year, the country over, comprising the 3-year-old "classics" and the great fixtures for animals of all ages, 3-years-old and upward. Every horse that won one of these events automatically became eligible to it.

Alsab, being a 2-year-old, could not, of course, attain eligibility in that manner. Hence Mr. Vanderbilt took the step of inviting him to meet them in the manner indicated.

This being, of course, prompted by his conviction that the 2-year-old had shown himself capable of undergoing such an ordeal.

It will be most interesting to see what the poll conducted by the Digest results in.

The universal and just impression is that there can be but 2 contestants for the title, the other being Whirlaway. No 3rd horse can be said to have any such credentials as theirs.

Will the coast to coast poll of the experts verify the individual selection of Mr. Vischer?

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J. H. Whitney's 'Chasers

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will be of 2 miles, 13 jumps. The probable starters will be Baffler, Fatty, Perfect Liar, Phantom Lee, Catstar, Doorman, Epindel, Notley, Glazenwood, Ten Hug, Bellman and Yammer. This advice was received by air-mail on Thursday.

J. B. "Barney" Balding will train Mr. Whitney's string as usual.

Mr. Balding also has German Town at Caliente, owned by Mrs. Balding, his wife. Among the flat horses to be converted to jumping for Mr. Whitney are Gun Bearer, Chorus, Wild Fire, Gino Goes and Janet Reigh. The 'chasers include Massa, Belmont Stake winner, Cupid, Cherry Malotte winner at United Hunts, who ducked out when in command of the Manly Memorial, Torch Song, The McClain and Trade.

Buffalo Show

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Fast Time had the red and failed only at the last jump. Edminton, above mentioned was third after jumping off with Richard Lang Miller and Eureka who was a favorite, based on his performances at the Saddle and Bridle Club of Buffalo last winter, and A. C. E. Reece's Dutch, a big, black, cold-blooded brute of a horse that seemed decidedly promising. Eureka had the fourth and Dutch went out on the second jump.

And now a moment to compliment Mr. Reece who is a decided newcomer to the horse world and who is proving himself to be a true prince among sportsmen. Dutch has won three firsts since May, but none of them in recognized shows. Mr. Reece is definitely refusing to show him in novice classes, recognized or otherwise, and knowing the cumulative rules of faults based on refusals, Mr. Reece who was riding his own mount turned out on the piling up of faults so acquired and was then invited to return as the show was not a recognized one and the full scope of American Horse Shows Association Rules 13 and 14 was not in effect at this little and pleasurable show.

The horsemanship classes were large, but the quality of riding exhibited offered much to be desired. Outside of the first place in the senior event to Miss Donna Rogers, I would have picked the others far differently and would have placed Miss Joan Harriman whose riding I admire in the ribbons. Miss Donna Roger's Santa won the road hack class, and the two saddle horse classes went to W. G. Saville's Minnie Jean Dare and Dapper Dan.

SUMMARIES

Novice Jumping—1. Vee Jay, Dr. V. J. Levy; 2. Callen, Mrs. Mary S. Geracci; 3. Stormer, Robert Lang Miller; 4. Old Fashioned, Roy Smith. 13 entries.

Seat and Hands—riders 13 and under 18—1. Miss Donna Rogers; 2. Miss Marion Thomas; 3. Robert Getz; 4. Miss Nancy Allen. 9 entries.

Seat and Hands—riders under 13—1. Miss Jane S. Hall; 2. James Bassett; 3. Willard K. Hall, Jr.; 4. Miss Ann Harriman. 14 entries.

15.2 and over Saddle Horses—1. Minnie Jean Dare, W. G. Saville; 2. Glory of Love, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Soether; 3. Burning Beauty, Michael Moran; 4. Royal Rex, Mrs. S. James Naples. 6 entries.

Open Jumping—1. Fast Time, Meadow Lane Stables; 2. Edminton, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Conway; 3. Hi-Fidelity, Richard Lang Miller; 4. Eureka, Richard Lang Miller. 15 entries.

Under 15.2 Saddle Horses—1. Dapper Dan, W. G. Saville; 2. King Firefly, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Dake; 3. Ann Oddity, Miss Donna Rogers; 4. Jim Dandy, Miss Jane S. Hall. 7 entries.

Road Hacks—1. Santa, Miss Donna Rogers; 2. Buddy B., George Haberl; 3. Pidget, Patrick Geraci; 4. Miss Mischief, Miss Helen Horner. 17 entries.

Knock Down and Out—1. Stormer, Robert Lang Miller; 2. Fast Time, Meadow Lane Stables; 3. Edminton, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Conway; 4. Eureka, Richard Lang Miller. 14 entries.

Judges: Frank J. Trautman and Edward M. Burch.



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Last week end we went to Baltimore to a wedding and, not to waste the opportunity, took time out to visit the Ivy Hill Beagles at home. This very workmanlike pack is owned by Francis N. Iglehart, Jr., who is a student at St. Paul's School, away up north in New Hampshire where skating and skiing are much more popular than beagling. But I'll bet that when their Master is home at holiday time the beagles get plenty of hunting. I know just exactly how Frank feels at leaving his hounds because I had to do the same thing. While he is away his father goes out regularly on Sunday afternoons and bye-days. Fields of over one hundred have really good sport after jacks in "The Valley".

Because his kennel huntsman expected to be drafted (but wasn't) Frank didn't breed many bitches this year. In fact, he has only one and a half couple of young entry to put on. He plans to increase his pack considerably from its present eight and a half couple next season, though, and I hope he asks us to hunt with him. I'm sure he will show good sport.

The St. Peter's Foot Beagles are having a very good season so far though they are having deer trouble. What a nuisance to foxhounds as well as beaglers these deer are. It is a pity that the season on them is so short and the limit so low in view of the amount of damage in gardens and orchards that they do.

Most thankfully we can report that Buckram's Spot, the pride of the pack because of his double win at Aldie is convalescing from his pneumonia and hopes to hunt again before the season is over.

Bijoux Bassets

Under an almost blazing sun and with a strong south wind blowing, the Bijoux Bassets of Banbury Cross, Old Chatham, N. Y., met Saturday, Nov. 29, at the residence of Mrs. L. D. Parker, in New Lebanon Center, Columbia County. A number of rabbits were sent away, affording a good day. It seemed as if every few feet a rabbit was viewed, hounds would run for maybe a few hundred yards then a check and complete mystification; long casts would follow, no results and then the field witnessed on at least 6 different occasions a bunny slowly tipping away.

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Hillsboro Hounds started their 10th season, 1941-42, meeting at the kennels on the farm of Mason Houghland, M. F. H. We hacked about 4 miles to the Phillips' Farm, on the old Edmonston Pike.

There was quite a nice field out, including a few new subscribers and most of the old timers. The Master cast hounds on Phillips' place, hunted across the John Holt place, and finally, in spite of a warm afternoon, a line was struck and carried for over an hour; crossing the Redmon farm, putting him to earth on the Les Fly farm.

By this time it was getting late so the Master called it a day and we started for home about 5 miles away. We were all delighted that the season had officially commenced.

Saturday, Nov. 22

We met at Maple Grove Farm, home farm of the secretary, John Sloan, who in the absence of the Master, Mr. Houghland, who was on the west coast on defense duties, was acting master. The meet was scheduled for 8 a. m. in order to give the field a chance to see the Vanderbilt-Alabama football game in the afternoon.

A rather small field was out. We first drew a covert on the Albert Gasser Farm, crossing back into Maple Grove over Buckbush Hill. A few hounds had gone on to Sawyer Knob. We heard a cry there and harked the rest of the pack to them.

Very soon they had a big red up and running. Crossing through Herberts' wood lot, into Miss Sherman's, around Bell Knob, back to Maple Grove again, where most of the field viewed the big red fellow with the whole pack in full cry close behind.

The fox then proceeded to take the same circuit for the 2nd time. In Herberts' wood lot, we had a check. Three of the hounds found the line of the first fox and carried him back across Maple Grove to a den on Albert Gasser's.

The rest of the pack changed to the line of a second red and carried him across open country where he was viewed by the whole field and finally put him to earth. It was now about 10:30 and had begun to drizzle and rain, and most of the horses had about enough for this early in the season.

We called it a day. It was one of the best we ever had.

Thanksgiving, Nov. 27

We met at Foxview Farm, the home of George A. Shwab, Jr., at 10 a. m. Mr. Houghland was still away, on defense business. The secretary, again was acting master. It was a beautiful day, in fact too much so for good hunting. There was a very large field out, including several first-outers.

We hacked across Foxview to a covert on the rear of the farm. We tried this, moved onto the Jess Williams' farm, where one hound honored and after several minutes of working alone, the rest of the pack

scent was better, but he was wise and went up hill to where he apparently knew that hounds couldn't follow.

After 1½ hours afield, hounds were taken up by Mrs. Consuelo U. Ford, Master, and followers all went to the Bouldernol home of Capt. and Mrs. Sidney Smith, in Canaan, for a delightful hunt breakfast.

—Contributed

joined-in. Due to a warm morning they had to work hard to keep on this line but finally succeeded in getting a red up and running.

With several long checks, they carried him across Wash Herbert's pasture, around Old Smyrna Hill, crossed George Herbert's and over Frost Knob, back to Herbert Knob. Then they crossed Lester Williams' back to Old Smyrna Hill, and back to the meeting place.

From Foxview, hounds then went to Hardscuffle Hill, turned back to Foxview again and crossed it in a blaze, with the pack in full cry and a good part of the field still right behind them. On our pilot carried, back to Jess Williams' where he went to earth.

Wearily, we hacked back to Foxview for much needed refreshment.

Saturday, Nov. 29

We met at Vernon Sharp Jr's beautiful Inglebawe estate at 2 p. m.

The weather was still too warm for good scenting, so we delayed the start for about half an hour. With the Secretary still acting Master and another good field out, we first drew a thicket on the front of the farm with no luck, then moved on across Inglebawe, the Fleming Farm, the Oman farm, and just when we were about to give it up, because of the unseasonable weather, Artemus, one of the English hounds we have from the refugee Cotswold pack gave tongue, on a cold line, in a shady glade.

Artemus carried it by herself for at least 30 minutes, when the rest of the pack finally joined in. After another 30 minutes of slow work, they had a big red up and running. They carried him at a rapid pace, across the big open fields of the Oman Farm, into the wooded hill pastures of Dr. Walter Morgan's, on to the Walter Allen Farm. He turned back at the Wilson Pike, retraced his course back across Dr. Morgan's, where he was viewed by the Vernon Sharp's two youngsters, Sara and Vernon III, out for their 1st hunt.

There youngsters will never forget that moment when they viewed

this beautiful red with hounds close on, followed by at least half of the original field.

The fox carried back across the Oman's, the hills east of Oman's and went to earth just back of Pleasant View School House. The field finally gathered at Inglebawe for refreshments.

We have had three of the best hunts ever, this early in the season. If these are any omen of what's to come, we should have a lot of real sport in store for Hillsboro Hounds. The pack which consists of several couple of refugee Cotswold Hounds, several cross-bred, English and American Walker Hounds and one couple of Walkers, is just about the best pack of hounds we have ever had the privilege of riding behind. Yours for continued good hunting, John Sloan, Hon. Hunt Secy., Hillsboro Hounds.

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In contrast to the week previous, Thanksgiving week, conditions were far more favorable for fox-hunters and horses. The rain which fell over Thanksgiving week end, softened the going and made the air fresh and seasonably cold up till last Thursday when the weather turned summer-like. It was therefore disappointing that the one necessary factor for good sport was missing during the beginning of the week. Foxes had been scared by the numerous gunners who were afield and the few which were on foot ducked into their holes shortly after they were found.

Hence, for the first time this season, no outstanding sport occurred for a week.

Saturday, Nov. 29

Foxes had recovered from their timidity and were once again on foot and not afraid to run for good distances. Hounds had no sooner entered the woods behind Mr. Benjamin

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BLESSING FOXHOUNDS AND BASSETS--AFIELD WITH HOUNDS



Bishop H. P. Almond Abbott blessed Iroquois Hunt Hounds, in front of the historic old Grimes Hill, near the Iroquois Clubhouse on November 2, as followers stood by. Bishop Abbott hung a St. Hubert medallion around the neck of each rider to protect him from harm during the ensuing season. Joint-Masters, Edward F. Spears and W. Fauntleroy Pursley are pictured. This hunt was established in 1889 and reorganized in 1929. The pack numbers 15 couple of Walker hounds.



John Sloan, secretary of Hillsboro Hounds, out near Nashville, Tenn., has been doing the job of acting master, due to the absence of Mason Houghland, M.F.H., whose Vultee Aircraft defense duties have taken him to the west coast on prolonged trips. A number of hounds in the Hillsboro pack are from the North Cotswold pack in England--refugees for the duration. Also pictured is Eugene Harris. Both Mr. Sloan and Mr. Harris have taken part in pink-coat racing in their home country and the former enjoyed the ownership of one of the outstanding middle-Tennessee-Kentucky 'chasers one season. Mr. Sloan is also a moving spirit in the Iroquois Memorial Steeplechase, to have its 2nd running this spring, near Nashville.

---Frank Gunter, Nashville Banner Photo



Bijoux Bassets of Banbury Cross, of which Mrs. Consuelo U. Ford, of Old Chatham, N. Y., is master, were blessed, before a recent meeting, marking the opening of the official season. This pack has been reported as having turned in a number of excellent outings to date, providing delightful sport for followers.



Mrs. W. O. Moss, of Mile Away Stable, Southern Pines, N. C., was a consistent owner-rider winner in Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee hunter contests at the shows this summer. Here she is pictured winning the Menaleus Lankford Memorial Challenge Trophy at the Tidewater Show, (Va.), with DARK VICTORY. The Mosses go regularly with Moore County Hounds and ran a horse or two over brush last season.

FOXHUNTING, WITH ESSEX, MEADOW BROOK AND ROLLING ROCK HOUNDS



Mr. Anderson Fowler, joint-M.F.H., hunts Essex Fox Hounds (N. J.). This pack has been showing consistently good sport; with followers enjoying greatly the enthusiasm engendered in a gentleman hunting hounds he knows fully as well as they know him. Mr. Fowler has keen foxhunting intuitiveness and spent many hours each day during the past summer walking hounds. Left: George Connor, Whipper-in and right: Floyd Leonard, Whipper-in. ---Freudy Photo



Meadow Brook Hounds and followers are pictured at a recent meeting in the vicinity of Jericho, Long Island, N. Y. The 50 couples of crossbred and Welsh foxhounds with Huntsman Allison and joint-Master Mrs. Harvey D. Gibson and Harry T. Peters, Jr., have been showing good sport, despite the unseasonable hot and dry weather of the early season. Mrs. Richard Babcock, honorary hunt secretary, is pictured just back of the joint-masters as hounds moved off. ---Morgan Photo



This photograph was snapped during the big meet of Rolling Rock Hounds (Pa.) prior to the 2nd day of the race meeting last October. Rolling Rock's big English pack, numbering some 59 couples, is one of the outstanding such packs in America. Extreme right is Richard K. Mellon, M.F.H.; center foreground: Huntsman Hedges, to his left, Mrs. Mellon and followers. ---Morgan Photo

Notes From Great Britain

By J. FAIRFAX-BLAKEBOROUGH

The Famous Ride Of 200 Miles In 8 Hours Of Squire Osbaldeston Is Recalled

A member of the Jockey Club, who is a regular reader of these notes, remarked to me last week that one or two jockeys had a ride in every race and asked me if I had any record of the greatest number of miles covered on horseback by a jockey in one day. In view of the fact that in the old times jockeys often rode long distances on post horses or their hacks to attend race meetings, and then competed in races run in 3 or 4 mile heats, they frequently covered incredible distances in the saddle. The amateur jockey, the famous Squire Osbaldeston, for a wager to test equestrian endurance, once rode at Newmarket, 200 miles in 8 hours 42 minutes, using 50 horses (most of them racers). He won his bet of £1000 that he would accomplish this feat in 10 hours. This was a carefully planned and timed affair.

Many steeplechase jockeys ride work in the morning and then gallop into teens of miles during the subsequent afternoon's racing. Many of us have ridden well over seventy miles on a hunting day. A reliable authority has handed down to us the fact that John Pratt, who steered the famous *Gimcrack* in his races, on one occasion rode eleven races over the Beacon Course at Newmarket, this representing a total of 88 miles including the distance covered going to and returning from the post on his hack. I should imagine this to be a record for a jockey.

Pratt was the Gordon Richards of his day and lived to be 89. At the time of his death he was described as "the oldest man connected with Newmarket." His son John, was also a jockey without gaining much distinction. Frederick Charles Pratt, who retired from training in 1940, was a nephew of the great Fred Archer, but I cannot say whether he was any connection with the old Newmarket Pratt jockey family mentioned.

James Hirst, who has been described as the most eccentric man Yorks has ever produced, was the son of a Rawcliffe farmer, and died in that village in 1829 at the age of 91. In his will he left 10/6.

To be run for by 10 women on Rawcliffe green, three times round, on Monday in the afternoon in Rawcliffe feast week every year, and not less than 10 women, who will swear they are maids and very much against their minds, or no race. They must all be above the age of 21.

When at school James rode an old sow, guiding it with a piece of string fastened through the ring in her nose. Despite several thrashings from his parson tutor he taught the pig to jump. Later in life:

"He rode a bull when he did hunt, And glorious was the fun;

To see him leaping hedge and ditch And with the huntsmen run."

The exploits of Hirst resulted in a royal command to appear at Buckingham Palace so that the King and court might make his acquaintance.

I have been reminded of all this on hearing the other day of a pig

Elkridge-Harford

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Grissold's home, the first covert, following the two o'clock meet, than they opened with a good cry. Closely packed, they drove their pilot at so fast a pace that only those who happened to be up in front of the field and mounted on fast horses which were good jumpers, could keep them in view, as they headed over Mr. Sidney Watter's pastures, straight through the small woods back of Mr. Davis Warfield's to the far field of Mr. Wareheims which borders the Jarrettsville pike.

Here hounds checked for a few minutes. This gave the first flighters a chance to wipe their scarlet countenances, catch their second wind and learn from Lurman Stewart that the thermometer on his porch had registered 80 degrees.

Hounds no sooner recovered the line than they carried it at an equally fast pace as they had in the first part of the hunt. Crossing the Jarrettsville pike, they swung a little to the left through a small woods, across two large pastures, through a narrow woods and into Mr. James Park's stable yard. When hounds momentarily checked, a groom who was standing in the yard and had viewed the fox, told the huntsman in which direction he had headed.

being trained to go in harness by a small holder at Potto, or rather, by his son. The whole family have such an affection for the stock on their little farm that any of the beasts will come at call, and are as docile as the aforementioned porker was. My informant wonders if there is some mysterious occult understanding in birds and animals, which so often makes both take up their abode at or near the dwellings of those who are certain to give them a welcome and hospitality. Recently a jackdaw has settled down with the Potto farmer and has become a great pet. "Why", asks my informant, "should the bird select this one particular family and house?"

One horse breeder, who has had to get rid of all his young stock, tells me that he has less hay with which to start this winter than he had left over from last winter. He is not alone, and it is for this reason, together with the difficulty of getting the thresher, that the 'open' backend and plentiful supply of grass is such a blessing. Those who have the grazing will leave outside their stock (equine and otherwise) much longer than usual. They know full well that thoroughbred and other fine-coated horses will rapidly go back in condition, and that many of them will present the appearance of 'knackers' by next spring. But what are those who want to retain their young stock and brood mares to do?

A story is going the rounds of a well-known breeder, full of anxiety about his horses, astounding a portly if pious archdeacon (next to whom he sat at a recent luncheon party), by asking him "Can you tell me how long it took to get that old cock Nebuchadnezzar into fair condition after bringing him up from grass?" This reminds me of one of G. K. Chesterton's early poems which opens:

Nebuchadnezzar the King of the Jews

Suffered from new and original views.

He crawled on his hands and knees It is said,

With grass in his mouth and a crown on his head.

But it was not necessary to lift hounds, for after a few seconds of feathering they found the line and went streaming towards and into the Big Hanlin's woods. Where they divided on another fox and then lost the line. The next couple of coverts were drawn blank but the day was wound off by hounds finding in Mr. Wing's pines. They carried the line in a large circle across Mr. Wing's, through the sprouts, over Mr. Eastman's and back to the same pines where they marked their pilot to ground.

This was a slow hunt, scent being catchy and it was interesting watching hounds work the line. A pleasant ending to a satisfactory afternoon's sport.

Many of our annual out-of-state, visiting fox-hunters have returned

to hunt behind our pack. As has been her custom for the past twelve years, Mrs. J. Cornelius Rathborne has been occupying her hunting box and going out with hounds every day a hunt was scheduled. Miss Nancy Nicholas is again spending her two weeks vacation from business with Mrs. Rathborne while hunting regularly. Mrs. Arthur Choate, too, returned for her week of hunting. Mr. Stephen Sanford has been staying with Mr. Tom Eastman. Mr. Simpson Dean M. F. H. of the Vicmead Hunt, trucked down for a day's hunting but unfortunately it was on one of the days before the foxes had recovered from their timidity. On the same day, Mrs. George Garrett and the famous Mrs. Perkins from Virginia were out.—Elizabeth Ober

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Editorials

NOW WE KNOW

Modern war is a weird game. It can give you a case of nerves about as quickly and as thoroughly as the worst nightmare and it is this very case of jitters that our kind friends the Japanese and the Germans, having been at the pleasant business of war somewhat longer than have we, are relying on at the moment. America has got to say to itself, "Keep calm, keep going, and don't stop doing the best you know how." It's a hard thing to say and it's harder to do but it is the only way a nation can win through a protracted struggle.

America has been dosed with a lot of talk since Hitler knifed his first friend in the back. There's been a lot of things that would have been better left unsaid and a lot of things that could have been better done, but there is no use talking about that now. When the burglar is in the door, it doesn't help to prove how you could have locked him out, at least not until you get him out again.

There are certain things that ought to be remembered. The most important is that everybody cannot go to Washington and help run the war. Actually Washington has about three times as many people in it right now as it ought to have. Nor is there any point in sitting around suggesting what should be done. Somebody should have shot Hitler in the last war, but they didn't do it.

This is much too valuable a time to waste it on might have beens or may-bes until the yes it's over seems a little closer at hand. Actually if everybody cannot go to Washington and the army and navy has not yet come to the point of throwing open its waiting list to all and sundry, what can be done to help out?

In the past two years, Americans have been able to read a good deal about how modern warfare is conducted. It is about time now to forget that good old slogan, "It can't happen here," for now we know, and take a good look at what happened in other countries when they faced that nice team of Adolf, Musso and their latest pal, Harry Hito. There is as much to be done around home as there is in Washington because a lot of fighting may be right nearby. It has been in everybody else's war and the chances are this one is not going to be very different. We hope it is, but hoping does not do away with this Merry Triumverate. They thrive on it.

What needs to be done right now in America is organization of home defense workers; setting up of aircraft watchers; of fire fighting crews; learning how to battle parachute troops; learning how to get the most from the soil; learning how to help provide allies short on milk, eggs and beef with the best of them from home grown products. It is no hero's task to sit down and figure out, regardless of the medals to be won, where each and every citizen can be the most good, but as a general thing, everybody does best in the field that he knows the best and this field is keeping the same old wheels turning, only making them spin just about twice the speed and with twice the drive. The same old racket is not the easiest job, but until somebody finds that the army needs you or there is a vacant cot in Washington, it is doing more good to stay where you are. This may not be the best way to wave a flag, but it is a pretty effective way to say "no further" in Japanese.

Letters to the Editor

Of The Arab

Bronxville, New York

Dear Sirs:

I especially enjoyed your last issue of The Chronicle and found Mr. Harry Worcester Smith's review of "The Blood of the Arab" by Albert Harris most interesting. Since I have been very active in the horse world myself for a number of years but am now an invalid in bed. I look forward with increasing interest to your precious paper.

In discussing "The Blood of the Arab" with Mr. Barnum, he wrote me the enclosed letter which I thought would be of interest to you and your readers, as he is quite an authority on the history and the evolution of the wild horse in the West.

Looking forward to next Monday when my Chronicle will arrive promptly at ten o'clock, I am,

Sincerely

Mrs. Katheleen Merrill

Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Mrs. J. L. Merrill

20 Rockledge Road
Bronxville, New York

Dear Mrs. Merrill:

Please let me thank you for that kind thought which prompted you to send me your last number of The Chronicle, issued October 10th. Indeed this is the "horsiest" little sheet which I have seen in a very long time. I was especially interested in Mr. Smith's review of Mr. Albert Harris' "The Blood of the Arab" and I will confess, proud to find one hundred percent substantiation of my recent statements to you relative to the introduction of Arabian horses in America, their escape from the Spaniards, their astounding increase in numbers and the undeniable preponderance of the blood so noticeable in the wild horses of our western plains and mountains.

During the years of my activity among these wild horses, I recall that I once received a letter from Mr. William T. Hornaday, then associated with (I think) The Museum of Natural History, New York City. He asked if in my opinion the Arab strain was noticeable in our wild horses. His inquiry led to an exchange of letters and he asked if I could collect a group of outstanding specimens for him, a stallion, mare, two year old yearling and a suckling colt. He gave me instructions for preparation of the skins, measuring, etc also stated that he would need brush and grass and other vegetation characteristic of the range country in Nevada. He also stated he would need some of the soil. Of course his idea, at the time, was to mount the group and to place them in a glass enclosure in the Museum for the study and benefit of the patrons of the Museum. He stated in one letter that he was meeting with some opposition, because a committee member asked "Wherein do wild horses differ from other domesticated horses?" Evidently the committee member considered their value as an exhibit to be lessened because he believed there was similarity to horses every one at that time was accustomed to seeing, but had this Mr. Hornaday's ideal prevailed there would now be a group of near-Arabs for all to see.

Very sincerely yours,

Charles Barnum

Myopia Hunting

Chestnut Hill, Mass.,
November, 21.

Dear Sir:

On rereading my account of a hunt at Myopia in your November 14th issue I find a very bad misprint, which I wish you would correct. I don't want my good friends Mary Curtis and Howland Seabury to think for a moment I meant other than praise for them both.

The sentence read in The Chronicle: "In this first part there were a few brazen souls who had followed us, and not Bayard Tuckerman, or Howland Seabury or Mary Curtis, who knows more about hunting the fox than most of us will ever aspire to." It should read: "—and not Bayard Tuckerman, Howland Seabury, Mary Curtis and so forth."

Do please put this right before I'm sued.

Sincerely

Jane Dane

Hound Endurance

Greenwich, Conn.

The Editor,
The Chronicle,
Dear Sir:

There have often been discussions as to the distance that a hound would travel in order to return to his kennels, and it occurred to me that the following account might be of interest to some of your readers.

On Tuesday, November 25, the Fairfield and Westchester Hounds hunted their pack in Poughkeepsie, New York, by invitation of Mr. Homer B. Gray, master of the Rombout Hunt. After a reasonably hard day's hunting our hounds were shipped back to Greenwich, a distance of 65 miles, one hound, however, being left out. Our huntsman arranged with Mr. Gray to try and pick up the hound and to call various farmers in the country which we had hunted to see if he had been found. On December 2, much to the huntsman's surprise the hound walked into our kennels in good condition and apparently none the worse for his 65 mile jaunt.

The country between Poughkeepsie and Greenwich is intersected by numerous State highways and several large towns and a chain of reservoirs supplying water to New York City lie directly between the two towns, making the hound's progress all the more difficult.

The hound, Trueman, is a Walker hound, by Jack Dempsey out of Lou Fairfield and was bred at our kennels.

Yours very truly,

RICHARD I. ROBINSON, M. F. H.
Fairfield and Westchester Hounds

For Your Records

Editor of The Chronicle,
Dear Sir:

For your records, you can note that the rider of Kilcass in the Mortimer Cup at the Myopia Races was "Mr. George Clement, (son of Kimball Clement). Also that the lady referred to as Miss Joan Appleton was Mrs. F. R. Appleton, Jr. (Mrs. Joan Appleton) the owner and rider of Royal Melody. You have it right in the summary. Wrong only in the text.

A very nice record of a very good race.

Faithfully yours,

Francis R. Appleton, Jr.
New York, N. Y.

International Show

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Black Top Farm's newest addition, a young bay gelding, **Jack High**, took 2nd. The other places went to open horses.

In the middleweight class John McGuire's **Reconstruction**, ridden by Bill Strickland, earned the blue. **Reconstruction** attracted a good deal of attention from the other exhibitors and Chicago horsemen in general as this is his first big show for his new owner. It was the consensus of opinion that he not only looks extra well but is jumping better than ever. **Demopolis**, owned by Miss Lucy Kaufman, of Indianapolis, and shown by Dr. Bonham in this class, placed 2nd. Mrs. Blackwood rode her big chestnut mare, **Lucky Number**.

Ladies' Hunters

In the ladies' class on Wednesday night, Miss Nancy Miller rode **Master Johnnie**. This was the first time Miss Miller had ever been on his back and she did an excellent piece of work. Mrs. Blackwood showed her **Red Dust** for 2nd. Mrs. Woodward rode George Sadlier's **Midshipman** for 3rd. Miss Mary McGuire made her first appearance in hunter competition on her **Sylvain** to take 4th. She has just this year started to ride hunters after many years of showing saddle horses, and both she and her horse show definite promise of being threats in future hunter classes. Mrs. Jewell of Ortonville, Mich., had a nice performance on her **Spring Dawn**, as did Miss Jeanne Lee Hester on Black Top Farm's **Playinver**.

The above 4 classes were shown over Course A, which consisted of twice around over a 4'-0" brush, gate, picket fence and a post and rail in-and-out composed of a 3'-6" and a 4'-0" jump. The picket fence seemed to cause a little difficulty, as many of the horses got in very close on that jump, and several knocked it down or had refusals.

The Corinthian

At the International the Corinthian requirement did not demand that a hunter be qualified, nor were appointments and attire rated in the judging. Conformation was also stressed as in other hunter classes. Performance counted 50 percent, conformation 35 percent and way of moving 15 percent. Actually this meant an open hunter class, amateurs riding. Everyone of the horses placed in the money in this class went around the figure 8 course in true Corinthian style; they went on, they jumped boldly and showed their quality well. Black Top Farm's entry of **Playinver** with Miss Jeanne Lee Hester riding, placed 1st. **Cuchulain**, owned and ridden as usual by Mrs. Sherman, had an outstanding performance and was 2nd. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hale's **True Mark**, ridden by Mrs. Charles Coffin, was 3rd. Mrs. John B. Stokley of the Trader's Point Hunt, Indianapolis, was 4th on **Best Le Sou**.

The Any Weight

The any weight, open class for hunters was judged Friday afternoon, when **Master Johnnie** took his 3rd blue. It must have been very difficult to make the decision between **Master Johnnie**, **Reconstruction** and **Just So**. All performed extra well over a figure eight course. **Just So**, in particular, made one of her very best performances in this class. Second was finally awarded to **Reconstruction**, ridden by Bill Strickland. 3rd to **Just So** and 4th to Nancy Miller's **Golden Bow**, whose pace and timing over this somewhat tricky course, were perfect. **Hasty**

Lassie again took fifth with a quite flashy performance. This was the largest hunter class of the show as thirty six horses competed.

Hunter Stake

The last hunter class of the show was the stake Saturday night when 29 hopefuls went around an "inside-outside, outside-inside" course consisting of all 4'-0" jumps, a brush, picket fence, railway gate, post and rail, stone wall, fence, oxer and chicken coop. There were not many clean cut performances, but among those who went well were (going down the entries and not according to merit) John J. Anderson's **Danny Boy**, Mrs. Blackwood's **Lucky Number**, Boson's Farms' **Scoty Chink**, Mr. and Mrs. Hale's **True Mark** (ridden by Mrs. Charles Coffin of Chicago) **Master Johnnie**, Mrs. Arthur Hardin's **Star Play**, **Just So**, **Golden Bow**, **Midshipman**, and **Cuchulain**. There were several good but slow performances and the judges seemed to prefer those horses who went on with greater speed and decision. After the usual consideration and juggling of places, the judges placed, Mrs. Thompson's **Master Johnnie** 1st, **Lucky Number** 2nd, Nancy Miller on **Golden Bow** 3rd, Stanley Luke's **Just So** 4th. George Sadlier's **Midshipman** 5th. The judges seemed to have no great trouble with awarding 1st and **Lucky Number** was a very logical and just choice for 2nd. **Just So** was up 3rd for a while but **Golden Bow** was then moved up to that place. **Midshipman** was an easy 5th but the last 3 places were not at all certain for quite some time.

Amateur Hunter—Jumper

A combination hunter-jumper class for amateurs only was an innovation this year and was very well received. It was a performance class for the first round and in case of tie the jumps were to be raised 3 inches; if a tie still existed, which it did, the tied horses were judged on conformation. Unfortunately this class was very poorly arranged on the program, as it was the first class on Thursday evening, the last class that night being the Jumper Stake, and it was a distinct handicap to the amateur riding and showing jumpers and a definite advantage to the professional riders. Several of the horses which went well in the early class, were in the jump-off and had been going consistently well all week. (For example **Wings of the Morning**, **Shadrach**, **Beowulf** and **Jay Don** did not seem to be at their best in the stake). There were 9 horses clean in the 1st round, 3 hunters and 6 jumpers, and it was quite amusing to see most of the amateurs who showed their hunters in this class, pull up at the corners, rate their horses in to the jumps, and do a great deal more hand-riding than they had ever done in hunter classes. This worked better in some cases. But several hunters showed amazement and even displeasure at being so handled. In the 2nd round, with the jumps raised, 2 went clean:—Mrs. Reuben on **Hickory Grove** and Maurice Roberts on **Wings of the Morning**. After looking at these two horses stripped the judges placed **Hickory Grove** and **Wings of the Morning** 1-2. Both are good type horses and I think the latter suffered in the comparison because of a rather unpleasant looking spot on his neck, caused by his stable mate nibbling at him practically all the way from Minneapolis in the van. Even so, such unfortunate disfigurement is not a permanent fault. Ted Mohlman had one fault with **Shadrach** in the jump off and so was awarded

3rd; **Demopolis**, ridden by Mrs. William Munk of Indianapolis, with 2 faults was 4th and Mr. Mohlman earned another place when his **Beowulf** took 5th by 3 1-2 points.

It was certainly very just that Ted Mohlman should earn 2 places in this amateur class, as he is the outstanding amateur rider of open horses in this section, and one of his horses is usually sure to be found in the money at the local shows.

The other horses who qualified in the amateur class by going clean in the 1st round were **Lucky Number**, owned and ridden by Mrs. Blackwood (who incidentally did not realize until just before the class that this was actually more of a jumper than hunter class) **Jay Don**, owned and ridden by Leroy (Sonny) Connors, **Hasty Lassie** owned and ridden by Mrs. Reuben, and **Golden Bow** owned and ridden by Nancy Miller. The amateurs who show open horses felt that this class was a boon to their group and should be included next year, but most definitely should be so placed on the program that it does not handicap them in competing with the open horses shown by professionals in other classes.

Handy Jumpers

In the open jumping division, the handy on Tuesday night, offered a stiff test over a very tight course and one which did not seem to be set exactly according to the diagram. The 6th jump, a railway gate, according to diagram, should have been set about 4'-0" before a triple "in-and-out", the 8th, 9th, and 10th jumps. After taking the gate one had to pull up, reverse and take an oxer, which was to be set in the center of the ring. While the distance from the gate to the first "in-and-out" cannot be stated exactly it did not appear to be greater than 24'-0", and the oxer was set in closer to the wall and to the gate than the diagram showed.

Only **White Oak**, with Chester Bonham riding, was able to go around clean, and his performance was enthusiastically received by an audience which seemed awe-struck at what was asked of the horses in this class. Billy Owen handled Dr. Walter McGuire's **Laddie** in great style, but had 3 faults, as did John Anderson's **Danny Boy**. **Laddie** was the winner of this class last year when he was shown by W. J. Thurston of Canada. In the jump off for 2nd **Laddie** went around with only one fault while **Danny Boy** had 4. **Sharif**, owned by Mrs. William Chester and ridden by Pat Dixon, whose handling of a somewhat hot-headed and bold going horse is much admired, earned 4th and Joseph Hale rode his **Time Mark** to 5th.

The open jumping class at 4'-6" on Wednesday afternoon was the largest jumping class of the show; 38 horses competed. Ten horses went clean over the figure 8 course: F. J. Anderson's **Shannon d'Or** and John Anderson's **Up and Over**, both ridden by Chuck Maxie; **Fair Hawk**, the Boson's Farm entry, Mrs. William Chester's **Sharif**, Mrs. A. C. Thompson's **Bruce** ridden by Eddie Bruhns, **Hickory Grove**, Stanley Luke's **Bar Baffling**, Ted Mohlman's **Shadrach**, **Wings of the Morning**, and **Springfield**, owned by C. J. Spidel and ridden by Billy Owen. **Hickory Grove** went on to win the class with a 2nd clean performance while after a 3 way tie and consequent jump-off for 2nd **Springfield** earned the place.

Triple Bar

Only 9 competed in the triple bar class held that night and of

those 4 went clean. Women are allowed to ride in this class at the International and 2 of the ladies showed, Mrs. H. A. Kellner on **Cuirassier** (one of those clean the first round) and Mrs. Martha Jayne on her bold but uncertain jumping **Hileah**, a small chestnut. **Fair Hawk**, with Johnnie Boson riding, came into his own with a 2nd clean performance over the spread bars in the jump off; **Over Again**, owned by F. J. Anderson and ridden by Chuck Maxie was 2nd. **Mr. Deeds**, owned and ridden by Fred Robinson (who can customarily be seen driving the 8 and sometimes 10 pony hitch for Melody Farms) was 3rd. Mrs. Kellner placed 4th with **Cuirassier**. **The Plainsman**, owned and ridden by Maurice Roberts was fifth.

Thirty-three entries were made for the \$1,000 jumper stake, for which the course was a figure 8 including a triple "in-and-out" and a chicken coop without wings placed at the end of the ring, perpendicular to the direction of the other jumps. John McGuire was one of the first in the ring and turned in the first clean performance on his **Emperor**, who is a big-boned horse and takes some neat handling on an "in-and-out" of this kind. He performed handily. There were several performances before another clean round, but three others came through to jump off with **Emperor** for 1st. Horace Hardy III, gave a beautiful ride on his **Escalator**, whose performance in an "in-and-out" has always been exceptional and who in this class really flew high over those jumps, as well as the rest of the course. Chester Bonham on Mr. George Sadlier's **White Oak** and

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Thursday, Nov. 20

The usual custom of a Thanksgiving Drag was waived this year in favor of an honest-to-goodness foxhunt. It may not have been the best hunt in the world, but we certainly had variety—fox, deer, and, at the end, a short drag—just for old time's sake.

A wetter, more uninspiring morning, would have been hard to find. Water literally poured from the heavens, all morning washing away the scent of any foxes who were fools enough to be out on such a day. And just to help matters, shooters were in abundance. Hounds worked very oddly, running a line for a few feet, then losing, repeating that process almost all morning in small circles.

Only the deer and the aniseed bag were forceful enough to hold their attention for any great length of time. As to the condition of the fields, to say they were muddy would be underestimating their best efforts. Yours truly spent one half an hour and a good cake of soap removing said mud from eyes, ears, and hair—and I wasn't on the ground, either!

Officially, hounds struck a line just east of Ingalls' orchards and carried it over the right of way where hounds checked. They continued to work it slowly, south, into Belle Vernon, there being unable to continue. Hounds were then lifted to Mr. Wigmore's woods where they picked up the cold and undecided trail of a fox. In and out through

POTOMAC HUNT

Great Elm Farm, Rockville, Maryland.
Established 1910.
Recognized 1931.



Saturday, Dec. 6

Potomac Hounds met at Mr. Cranford's Corner.

Followers spent almost as much time horse chasing as fox-chasing. Shortly after they left Cranford's Corners, near the Glen Road. Mrs. Moran McConihe, mounted on her 3-year-old colt, **Prince Ticky**, headed him into the left plank of a big panel, but he swerved right, nearly stopped and then made a tremendous leap over a 4'-0" post. Mrs. McConihe skidded earthward and **The Prince** headed for parts unknown, with most of the field after him.

Fearing that her youngster would pull a complete disappearance as he did earlier this season, when she had come a cropper before, Mrs. McConihe hopped on the back of **Bella Hagner's Steel Dust** and the two took off together through the woods, searching for the missing **Prince**.

He was recaptured several miles away and the hunt continued with the route going through Mrs. Brower's, Maj. Le Garde's, Robinson's woods, the Rockville Fruit Farm orchard, Montgomery's, Vier's, Clagett's Bottom and ending at Beale's, where hounds lost.

Edward Altemus acted as M. F. H., in the absence of Dr. Fred Sanderson and Capt. Harry Semmes.

—Anne Hagner

the recently timbered woods, they worked their line with little but spasmodic success, finally switching their efforts to a more odiferous deer whom "we, the field", saw high-tailing it down a path with hounds screaming in his wake.

By luck, or what have you, Courtney Burton was able to intercept the live elements of the chase, thus possibly saving a pack of hounds doomed to be picked up by railway express many miles away in most any given direction.

From there, a speedy drag laid about the Circle "W" Woods and then to dry clothes. As always it was well worth it and a lot of fun, the day being topped off by the annual eggnog party afterwards at the lovely home of Mrs. Walter White.

Dinner and the selling of the pool the night before went over with great gusto, and our master, Mr. George M. Humphrey, proved to be an auctioneer with well-nigh professional talents.

We are not very nice people in Gates Mills for, for many years past, we have indulged in the nasty little sport of betting on each other to fall off. In fact, it gets very embarrassing when you hear yourself being sold for great sums of money, just when you thought your riding had improved. A high field is sold also—i. e., no one falls off—and that ticket won this year. Unfortunately, however, for the winner, but not for the hunt secretary, 10 percent of the winnings must go to the hunt. You see, there is a method in our madness.

And so, another Thanksgiving Day has gone. With the world in such a troubled state, we are indeed thankful and most fortunate to be able to indulge in such a morning of good sport and friendship.

—E. B. Laundon

BEAUFORT HUNT

R. D. 2, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.
Established 1929.
Recognized 1934.



Thursday, Nov. 27

Pennsylvania being a Republican State, (we lapsed into New Dealism once, but never again) we held our annual open Thanksgiving Hunt this year on the real Thanksgiving Day. On this day we invite the whole countryside, without capping fee. Everyone has a bit or more of eggnog at Ross Rhoad's Susquehanna Farm, at 10:00 A. M., and away we go.

This year we laid a 14 mile drag so as to be sure the 60 horsemen (?) and horsewomen (??) had a good run, and they did.

I was one of those who felt a little relieved when it was over, because it was a gallop most of the way. One and one-half hours of canter or gallop, and a whip with our hounds travels like a collie dog, miles farther than the herd, is going some for one of my age.

On these open hunts we expect excitement other than watching hounds work, and jumping ditches and fences and we had it Thursday. I stopped the first riderless horse just as he was about to overrun hounds, the other whip, the Master's son, home from College, stopped the next and the Master (Ehrman Mitchell) himself bagged a third.

One girl was literally left out on a limb under which her horse ran, scraping her off. They brought back the nag and she dropped back on. No bones were broken, nor was there any bad damage, I am glad to say—with 20 or 30 novices out, that was lucky.

We were surprised and delighted to see 40 out of the 60 starters arrive at the kill, some a little late but most with the first or second flights.

My youngest daughter followed the hunt with friends in a car. As they stopped to watch the hunt pass near a farm house, the mother of several children who were playing in front of the house came to the door and called: "Come in you, don't you see them dogs?" As the hunt passed Mother, children and Grandmother gathered on the porch to

MANOR HUNT

Silver Spring, Maryland.
Established 1938.
Registered 1939.



Saturday, Dec. 6

Hounds were cast to the north of Charles Bailey's farm, near Wheaton Md., with C. Boyd Keys, master of foxhounds; Woodrow Hull, huntsman and Richard Adamson and Lee Atwood as honorary whipper-ins. Ten couples of Manor's most recently developed "3rd" pack of crossbred hounds drew covert, found immediately and went cross-country to Shippe's farm, where the fox went to earth.

Then the pack (made up of a strain imported last year from North York, Toronto, Hunt) was carried to a heavy covert west of Shippe's, recast and started on a 2 hour chase across open, rolling country.

After a rapid jaunt through McIntyre's, Maj. Brooke Lee's, Haugh's, Baum's and Shippe's, the fox dashed across McIntyre's, where he was viewed by the entire field. He was denned at Bailey's, the starting point, after hounds made a complete circle. Among those hunting were: Dr. Joseph Whitbread, Katherine Cox, Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Shannon, George Smith, Jack Courter, Anita Mammele, Mrs. Edward H. Cashell, and her daughter, Chris Xander, Virginia Lively, Sidney Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Seitz and Marguerite Jones.—Anne Hagner.

watch. When we had passed my daughter heard the old lady murmur more or less to herself "Nuts, Nuts, just plain Nuts, they are."

So now we know—but anyway the nuts had fun.

From the "kill" we all hacked to Beaufort Lodge, the Masters farm, and there had our customary breakfast—sausage made from his hogs, fried apples from his trees, and hard and soft cider from his cider press.

It was a grand day, temperature just right, scent perfect, plenty of big galloping fields, nice people and no fences and ditches too bad for most of them. I liked it.

—Farley Gannett

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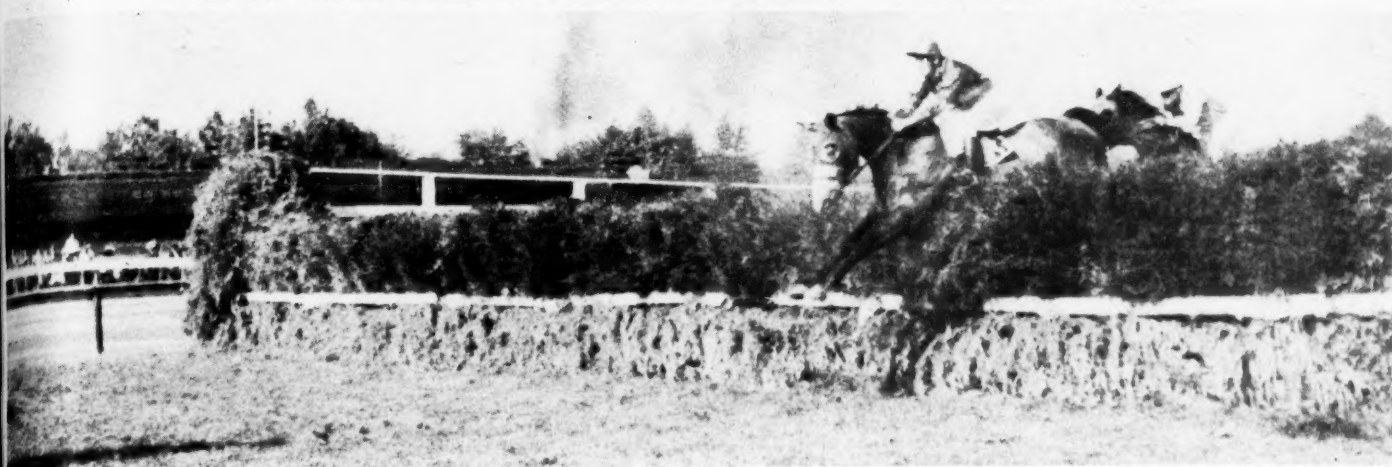
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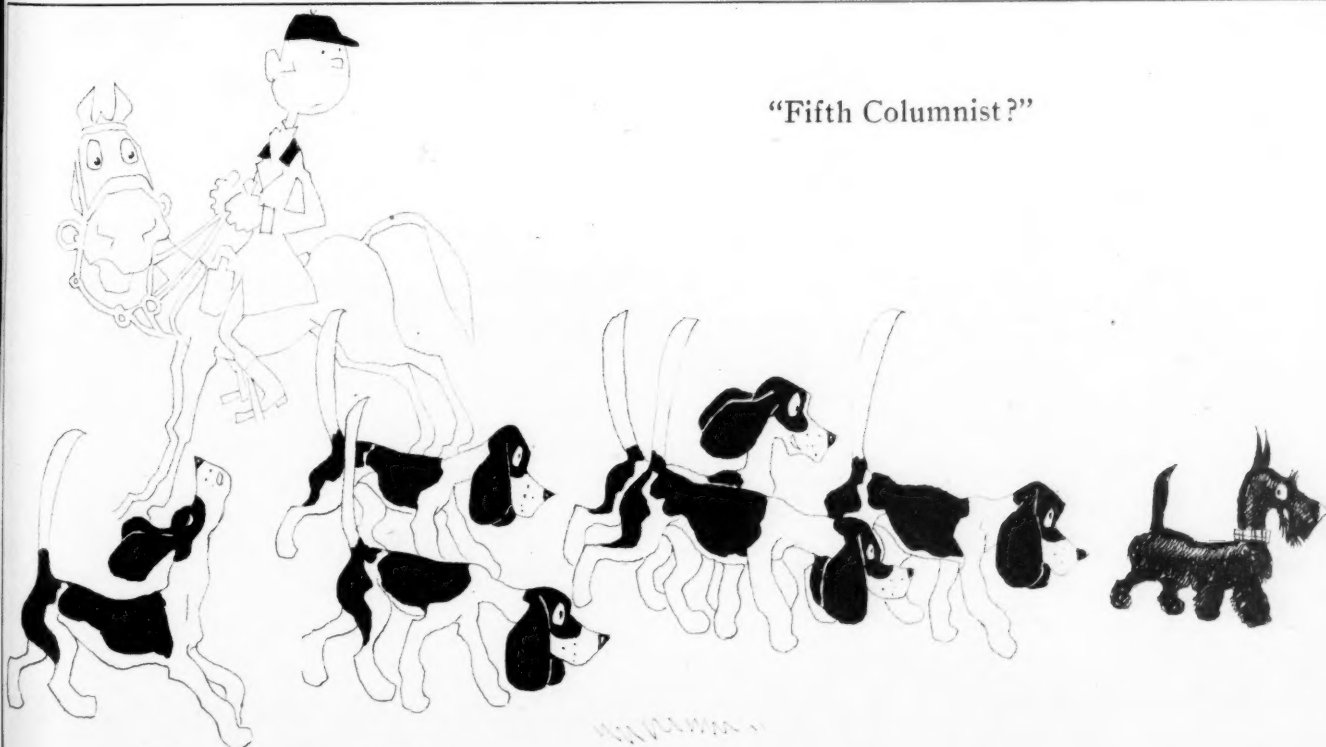


Henry Yozell, of Swampscott, Mass., has had great fun as an owner-rider on his splendid Irish thoroughbred HALLOWGOLD. HALLOWGOLD won the \$300 working hunter stake at Fairfield Hunt Horse Show, among other awards during his 1941 campaigning.

Up in the country, soon to be the scene of skiing and winter sports, William P. Dunn, of West Orange, N. J., was an enthusiastic riding exhibitor at the North Conway, N. H., horse show. Young Mr. Dunn is pictured on Mrs. Harvey D. Gibson's GRAYSTONE.

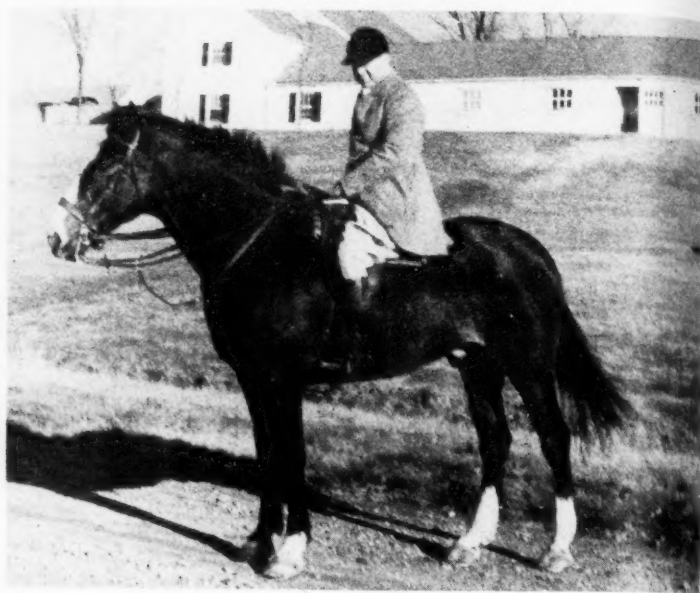
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"Fifth Columnist?"



John Reed

THE BLUE RIDGE HUNT ENJOYS SPORT IN THE SHENANDOAH VALLEY



Like father like daughter. William Bell Watkins, M.F.H. of Blue Ridge has been master of hounds for fifteen years, having been master at Rose Tree before taking over this Virginia pack in 1931. Miss Virginia Watkins, his daughter, is a grand horsewoman and enthusiastic foxhunter, who like her father never misses a day with hounds if she can help it. They are here seen at the Springsbury Farm of Mr. and Mrs. Greenhalgh, Berryville, from which a fine day was enjoyed Saturday, December 6th.



Owner-trainer-rider A. A. Baldwin is honorary whip for Blue Ridge and in between his hunting maintains a thoroughbred nursery with 7 good matrons at Dundridge Farm, White Post. He is up on CAPTAIN BILL by DAN IV--POLLY WELLS whom he trained and rode himself to win the Croatan Steeplechase last year at Southern Pines. Just behind him is Captain Ewart Johnston, ex-M.F.H. and now President of the organization whose ROYAL BUSINESS and CLAY HILL are favorites at the Charles Town Jockey Club's current meeting.



Mrs. William "Wild Bill" Donovan goes well to hounds and is the only lady aside this year with Blue Ridge. She is here seen on a new acquisition from the Peach Brothers stable at Upperville, a 5-year-old thoroughbred by SEA TRANCE out of a DAN IV mare. Mr. and Mrs. John Payne maintain a hunting stable at their Shan Hill Farm where they come down hunting frequently from their Long Island home.

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Sunday, Nov. 30

The best day so far this season and could easily be the best day of this season or any other.

Hounds met at George Howard's at 1 A. M.; 16 1-2 couple of which 4 1-2 were puppies, 33 in the field, a dry hot morning, no frost or dew, but the wind had changed in the night from the south where it had been several days to the northwest. Drew Howards Woods blank. The Master and huntsman, Homer Gray, was deep in the Slight woods when a tally-ho was heard. When he called his hounds, it was wonderful to see them come quickly from all directions. Hounds had a little trouble in owning the line, but finally settled down and for the next hour we saw as beautiful hound work as one could wish to see.

That was a wily fox! He twisted and turned, walked stone walls and made three circles of about two miles each. It was in a rough country, full of broom sage and well suited to a fox that did not want to run. He was viewed several times.

At one point, hounds lost as the whole field had crossed the line. After trying for some time, old Regal was heard to speak a field ahead. Homer carried the pack on and away they went again. Two puppies "Wenda" and "Rowdy" showed great work. "Rowdy" picked the line up once on a wall and carried it on. All Homer's favorites "Rattler", "Rachel", "Crazy", "Cordial" and "Regal" were doing wonderful work. After about an hour, our wily fox was marked to ground.

If the day was over then, we would have gone home and said what a good hound day it was, what music, what workers, how they held that line in spite of all the tricks played by a wily fox, and then marked their fox to ground. They did all that a good pack of hounds could do, but we would never have called up all our hunting friends on the phone and even tried to make people listen to us who have no interest in hounds or hunting, as we did after the next run that day.

It must have been about 1 o'clock. We had drawn several coverts blank. Hounds, in drawing a field with long grass, jumped a fox that liked to run. We simply flew with great speed and cry. They were all packed up. There was hardly time to clap your hat on tight enough. We crossed the Overlook Road; by now, they were going hell-bent for leather. Crossed McAllister's farm, Davis' into Henry's, through Henry's to Mousley's swamp.

When he turned east across Lasher's farm, through his Big Swamp, cross the Black Valley Road into Ira Smith's, still east across Bocks' Farm. Here he crossed the East Valley Road through Sherwood's farm on through Meddoughs' Farm, swinging left handed in the Big Woods to the McDonald Farm, then east again over the Big Hill under the power line, across Moor's Mill Road, into Harry Franz's farm and then swung north towards Vought's. We had

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Huntsman Thomas, his first season with Sedfield Hounds, is doing an excellent job in his new duties. He has greatly improved the country through better paneling and better bridleparks through formerly inaccessible thickets.

Hounds are going regularly Wednesdays and Saturdays and having the best fields that Sedfield Hunt has had in years. Some 35 were out at the opening meet and some 50 were on hand for the hunt breakfast.

gotten well up with them and they checked on a little dirt road that goes to the valley.

As they were well out of our country and most horses were done, we decided to call them off. Jack Melville, on his great horse **Highball** stopped all but three hounds whom we got later. We had been galloping for 55 minutes, practically without a check. There were a few casualties; the first I noticed was at a farmer's red gate into a plowed field. I saw a loose horse but the pace was too good to stop. Then we came to a strong barway out of the plow. It looked very big to me; at least 4 foot 6, to 4 foot 9, and maybe more. Homer just made it, hitting with all fours. Then our field master, Glen Folger, on his new horse made a lovely jump, only hitting it behind. Bill Schermerhorn, on his favorite hit it hard. Libby Hyland on that good show horse **Dalchoolan**, even he hit it. A few more days like this will make him a real good hunter, as well as a show horse. Then came Jack Melville on **Highball**. Then Joe Dixon on his grand old Irish hunter **Pax**.

We had been galloping a long time and that plow was heavy. Joe told me he let **Pax** go at it too slowly. Anyhow, **Pax** broke the top rail, much to the relief of all who were on the wrong side of that jump. **Pax** went down; a bloody nose and a hat broken to bits was the only damage. The very next jump was a tricky one too. Another barway and immediately 'o the right a farm gate, almost like an in-and-out with a turn in it.

How do all those horses and riders do it? Several horses that were jobbed and that we all knew so well; an ugly duckling **Topline** with Miss Gardner up from Myopia, a full standard bred was one of the first fliers I noticed up at the finish. Also Homer Gray, John Melville, Glen Folger, Bill Schermerhorn, Bill Kay Anne Elder, Libby Hyland, Nancy Johnson, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Schmeltzer, Dr. Noble and Dick Meyer. Soon others came along.

Besides those first in were Sterling Tomkins who stopped to help someone, Joe Dixon, Mrs. Noble, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Belcher, John Traphagen and his son Hugh, and George Alvord, 13 years old—another great youngster who had his first long hunt. I can see them both grow up to be great fox hunters. George is having excellent tutelage from Walter Hultz. Alf Allen, Buck Buchanan, Mrs. Jannings, Mr. Grant Straus, daughter and friend, Dr. Dunn, Miss E. Putham, Louise Grosvenor, Anne Rubicam, Evelyn Putnam and many hill-toppers.

I am not going to end this story without a good word for my old friend **Kenilworth** who carried me so safely and made it possible for me to see who was up at the finish.

—M. O'Malley Knott

Monday, Dec. 1

Middleburg Hounds ushered December fixtures in with a bang. The meet was at the Arthur Whites' "Chilton" and it was a great day.

An hour's ringing run was enjoyed, hounds never checked once and a big field went the whole way. Hounds and followers covered some 11 to 12 miles. Everyone said you had to really gallop to stay, up through the Piedmont Country and back into Middleburg they ran.

The following notes were gained from George Bland, well known colored horseman and groom, who has seen Middleburg sport for the past two decades and more:

"The 1st fox we jumped was a grey. We run him over on Seipps an' he went in down by Millsville. Then we went back and started a red on Mr. Hitt's an' he didn't fool. He went back of Mrs. Sabin's bottom to Old Welbourne, like a shot, went almost to Willisville, an' turned to almost the Maples an' then he come right back down the creek, across the old polo field an' right back of Atoka store, above the creek an' went all the way to Mr. White's. When we got down to Mr. White's that was the 1st time we made a check.

"Mr. Hitt's fox went fast. He must have run a long ways, I don't know how far it is, but I know it is a long ways. They were galloping

right on, those horses didn't lose no time at all.

"There was a lot of jumping, those post-and-rails, an' you know those stone fences with logs on 'em, jumping all the way up through there.

"Hounds hunted good, you couldn't beat 'em. I think that they had one dog out at the end when they lost. They lost when they got in a wheat field.

"Mr. Seipp went off right up there above the old polo field. All the horses were galloping right on, hounds were on one side of the creek, horses on the other, horses were galloping right on an' Mr. Seipp's horse, she stepped into this hole, tried to catch herself an' then she couldn't catch herself, that old bay mare, he hunts all the time, an' she turned over 3 times an' got up an' stood there. It knocked Mr. Seipp plumb cold. Mr. Hulbert, Miss Bettina, Mrs. Linn, Mrs. Metcalf, they all took their skirts off an' covered him up an' then we got an old dump truck from Old Welbourne, an' the feller drove up an' we put him in it. I didn't help, I jess held the horses. Mrs. Wiltshire an' all that bunch were there.

"I didn't see Miss Keith fall, but they say she fell going down the hill. She's a lovely lady but them big horses of hers are too "high". That old horse, the white-faced horse of hers, that Nick has out at the hunt stable, well he's hunted "down" now, an' that's the way he should be. No lady can do nothing with a horse with his head stuck up in the air running away down the hill."

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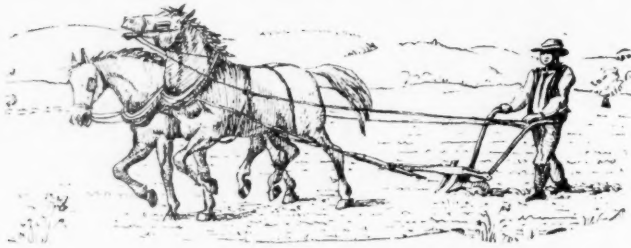
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FARMING For Defense



The Chronicle Publishes A Column On Farming To Aid Its Readers In How To Make Use Of Land In Wartime

Everybody wants to know what they can do to help in war time. It is hard not to drop every thing, no matter what it's importance, and rush somewhere else on the chance that that is where more is going on that could be of assistance. Actually this is the war hysteria that only befuddles and confounds the nation and aids the enemies. If everybody stopped their work and started rushing to another field of endeavor about which they know nothing the resulting confusion would be more harmful than the worst set of disasters.

People living on the big farms of the country can do more by sitting tight and waiting to see where and what is needed of them than all the rushing hither and yon asking questions that cannot yet be answered, for after all food comes first, and an army in spite of tanks and everything else on wheels is still marching on its stomach. With this in mind and knowing that readers of The Chronicle represent some of the most inherently productive land in the United States with great farms kept in perfect condition, this new department of The Chronicle that has been inspired by the knowledge that war makes farms of more importance than ever, headed for Washington and the Department of Agriculture. Armed guards with fixed bayonets were on the bridges and at the doors to army and navy buildings this morning. There was no doubt America was at war on Tues. Dec. 9.

First to the office of the Senator from Virginia, Harry Byrd, to find out where and how and who to see in the Department of Agriculture who could throw some light on how farms could be helpful in this new crisis. Mr. Menefee, the Senator's secretary, said that the Senate was in session, and the Senator on the floor, but he started right in suggesting those who could give out information in the Department of Agriculture's gigantic organization. Herbert Plummer, in the office of Government Reports, was the first appointment and there Mr. Plummer directed the inquiring department after farm facts to Whitney Tharin, Chief Information Officer of Agricultural Defense Relations and there we found the man who could give out the reasons why and where fore.

With apologies for a wait of 5 minutes, the obliging Chief Officer ushered The Chronicle's Farm Bureau into his office and then when he found this was a foxhunter's paper the task in hand suddenly seemed easier. Mr. Tharin is a foxhunter himself from the deep south of South Carolina, where many a farmer has his couple of foxhounds and hunting is part of life itself. The Chronicle represents acres and acres of grassland and Mr. Tharin's immediate suggestion was not to

disturb the grass. "It takes years to build up good grass land, he said, "And grass is one of the most valuable assets we have in the country today. Think of what happened in the dustbowl when farmers disturbed the grass."

"The background of the present situation is this," Mr. Tharin went on. "There is an overproduction in the country today of cotton, wheat, tobacco and corn. There is enough wheat in the country today to supply us for two years, but here is where owners of grass come in," and he pointed to the following excerpt from a statement of the Secretary of Agriculture of September 15th, which reads, "We are planning to send the British during 1942 dairy products that will require between 4 1-2 and 5 billion pounds of milk (this is an estimated increase of 10 billion pounds in 1941 and nearly 20 billion pounds in 1942); about a half billion dozen eggs; 18 million pounds of poultry meat—chicken for the most part; almost a billion and half pounds of pork and lard. We have promised to send almost a million and a quarter tons of fruit and more than two and a half million cases of canned vegetables."

"This country is going to need more beef, dairy products, hogs, eggs and milk. The milk is dried before being sent to England; the eggs must be dried. A whole shipload of eggs was bad on its arrival in England during the summer; the department felt sure they would be, but the English wanted to try it. Eggs will go well in the winter with only a normal 1 per cent loss in the shell; in the summer eggs will have to be dried."

To secure the quantities of meat, eggs, and dairy products, the government has set certain goals and has been urging farmers to work to meet these goals. Anything that individuals can do to help meet them will be of immense assistance. After the declaration of war with Japan, the Secretary of Agriculture pointed out that the 1942 production goals were being reviewed at once, but "We are certain, that in the main, they will fit." The Secretary also urged that with steel scarce the problem right now is to find out just what parts are required and for this reason every person on a farm is urged to buy or order repair parts now in order that the government can find out what parts are required and the rest be allocated elsewhere.

"The big grassland farms of the country estate," Mr. Tharin repeated again, "Are extremely valuable. It takes years to develop this sod. Don't plow it up. It can be very useful and a definite program should be worked out to make it even more useful now. We will send you this program."

So back we went to the country,

Cleveland Show

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ing, Patron took reserve championship with Mrs. Laundon's chestnut gelding, Sand Artist winning third just ½-point ahead of Holystone.

In the jumper division Mr. Hugh O'Neill, Sr.'s grand old black gelding, Billy, who is nearing his 23rd birthday took the championship by winning the 4th and final touch and out class with Mr. O'Neill's grandson, Joe O'Neill, up. Sterling Smith, down from Ravenna, with his dark chestnut gelding, Kopper, took the reserve championship.

There was close competition in the junior division with Ann Baillie's good brown jumping pony, Miss Greet winning the championship and Donald Motch's jumping pony, Dixie, taking the reserve. Little 7-year-old Patsy Wilson had her first jumping experience in the show ring by showing her black mare, Huntress, a Virginia-made pony, in the 14.2 and under classes. Mrs. Ellsworth Augustus' two children, Peggy and Betsy divided up the honors as one has an under 14.2 pony and the other shows her pony in the over 14.2 classes.

SUMMARIES

Model Hunter—1. Holystone, Crispin Oglebay; 2. Kathleen N., Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon; 3. Sand Artist, Mrs. Laundon; 4. Patron, Hunting Hill. 6 entries.

Fault and Out—1. Holystone, Crispin Oglebay; 2. Dasaki, Hunting Hill; 3. Piglett, Hunting Hill; 4. Patron, Hunting Hill. 16 entries.

Open Jump, riders 12 and under—1. Brown Sugar, Sally Bassichis; 2. Miss Greet, Ann Baillie; 3. Alfred Kavalier, Henry Dykes, Jr.; 4. Pitter Pat, Eddie Motch. 11 entries.

Green Hunter—1. Kathleen N., Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon; 2. Trophy, Halfred Farms; 3. Kopper, Sterling Smith; 4. Kidder B., Som Crest Farm. 11 entries.

Lightweight Hunter—1. Holystone, Crispin Oglebay; 2. Kathleen N., Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon; 3. Sand Artist, Mrs. Laundon; 4. Dasaki, Hunting Hill. 11 entries.

Middle and Heavyweight Hunters—1. Patron, Hunting Hill; 2. Wilderkit, Crispin Oglebay; 3. Faithful, Joe O'Neill; 4. Red Skyline, Som Crest Farm. 11 entries.

Horseman, 9 and under 12, horse privately owned—1. Dixie, Bob Motch; 2. Brown Betty, Gertrude Perkins; 3. Yankee, Leona B. Glover; 4. Paint, Carol Comey; 5. Crispin, Edith Corning; 6. Tinker Toy, Betty O'Neill. 11 entries.

Horseman, 9 and under 12, horses school owned—1. Skiddoo, Jean Briggs; 2. Sassy Sue, Betty Black; 3. Silver Dollar, Elizabeth Easley; 4. Darkey, Gretel Gronbach; 5. Handsome, Cyril O'Neill; 6. Rusty, Marilyn Bierschwal. 20 entries.

down streets and past buildings in which thousands upon thousands of people were pouring at the end of the day, more people than Washington can hold, out on to the main highway leading past the big grassland farms of Aldie, Middleburg, Upperville, Paris and on down into the Valley and there we realised that all that back in Washington could not go on if it were not for these same quiet stretches, mile after mile of them of land that can help produce the things that alone can keep it all going.

Fault and Out—1. Kopper, Sterling Smith; 2. Patron, Hunting Hill; 3. Scarlet Coat, Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon; 4. Sand Artist, Mrs. Laundon.

Pairs of hunters or jumpers—1. Patron, Dasaki, Hunting Hill; 2. Kathleen N., Sand Artist, Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon; 3. Holystone, Wilderkit, Crispin Oglebay. 3 entries.

Open Jump, riders 12 and under—1. Miss Greet, Ann Baillie; 2. Dixie, Bob Motch; 3. Paint, Carol Comey; 4. Tinker Toy, Betty O'Neill. 8 entries.

Hunter, 5 years old and under—1. Kathleen N., Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon; 2. Sandy Miss, Moxahela Farm; 3. Trophy, Halfred Farms. 3 entries.

Horseman, 12 and under 15, horses school owned—1. Don Juan, Margie Knight; 2. Darkey, Jenny Cory; 3. Entry, Lee Perme; 4. Domino, Lois Paxton; 5. Tommy, Joan Paxton; 6. Wild Honey, Louise Boyd. 21 entries.

Bridle Path Hack, privately owned, 14.2 and under—1. Dixie, Bob Motch; 2. Brown Betty, Gertrude Perkins; 3. Yuma, Peggy Augustus; 4. Huntress, Patsy Wilson. 4 entries.

Advanced Horseman—1. Miss Greet, Ann Baillie; 2. Dixie, Bob Motch; 3. Hard Times, Dorothy Hosford; 4. Yankee, Leona Glover. 9 entries.

Bridle Path Hack, privately owned, over 14.2—1. Checkers, Betsy Augustus; 2. Cream-puff, Greystone Farm; 3. Patsy Belle, Patterson Barnes; 4. Impulse, Kate Ireland. 11 entries.

Horseman, 8 and under—1. Yuma, Peggy Augustus; 2. Darkey, Barbara Engel; 3. Silver Dollar, Beth Wagley; 4. Huntress, Patsy Wilson. 5 entries.

Fonies, 16 hands and under—1. Yankee, Leona B. Glover; 2. Brown Betty, Gertrude Perkins; 3. Yuma, Peggy Augustus; 4. Paint, Carol Comey. 8 entries.

Horseman, 12 and under 15, horses privately owned—1. Miss Greet, Ann Baillie; 2. Checkers, Betsy Augustus; 3. Pitter Pat, Eddie Motch; 4. Regret, George Barnes, Jr.; 5. Diamond Star, Louise Kundtz; 6. Patsy, Benita Barnes. 15 entries.

Handy Hunter—1. Kathleen N., Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon; 2. Sand Artist, Mrs. Laundon; 3. Ben Hur, Sterling Smith; 4. Wilderkit, Crispin Oglebay. 11 entries.

Working Hunter, riders 12 and under—1. Paint, Carol Comey; 2. Yankee, Leona B. Glover; 3. Impulse, Kate Ireland; 4. Brown Betty, Gertrude Perkins. 8 entries.

Working Hunter, riders 13 and under 16—1. Brown Sugar, Sally Bassichis; 2. Miss Greet, Ann Baillie; 3. Alfred Kavalier, Henry Dykes, Jr.; 4. Patsy, Benita Barnes. 10 entries.

Bridle Path Hack, school owned, 15 hands and under—1. Ducky, Bob Paxton; 2. Entry, Lee Perme; 3. Skiddoo, Jean Briggs; 4. Trumpet, Elizabeth Easley. 11 entries.

Hunter Hack, 14.2 and under, riders 12 and under—1. Huntress, Patsy Wilson; 2. Yankee, Leona B. Glover; 3. Paint, Carol Comey; 4. Brown Betty, Gertrude Perkins. 6 entries.

Horseman, 15 and under 19—1. Brown Sugar, Sally Bassichis; 2. Tommy, Joan Raible; 3. Prince Pal, Mary Clare Gorman; 4. Black Night, Barbara DeWitt. 7 entries.

Handy Hunter, riders 13 and under 16—1. Alfred Kavalier, Henry Dykes, Jr.; 2. Hard Times, Dorothy Hosford; 3. Miss Greet, Ann Baillie; 4. Rex, Larry Lewis (owner). 9 entries.

Fault and Out—1. Billy, Joe O'Neill; 2. Kidder B., Som Crest Farm; 3. Kathleen N., Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon; 4. Blitz, Som Crest Farm.

Fault and Out Jumper Champion—Billy, Joe O'Neill; Reserve—Kopper, Sterling Smith; 3. Patron, Hunting Hill; 4. Holystone, Crispin Oglebay.

Hunter Hack, over 14.2, riders 13 and under 16—1. Miss Greet, Ann Baillie; 2. Topper Dan, William Wenneman; 3. Brown Sugar, Sally Bassichis; 4. Hard Times, Dorothy Hosford. 11 entries.

Hunter Hack—1. Patron, Hunting Hill; 2. Sand Artist, Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon; 3. Holystone, Crispin Oglebay; 4. Kathleen N., Mrs. Laundon. 13 entries.

Ladies' Hunter—1. Kathleen N., Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon; 2. Patron, Hunting Hill; 3. Sand Artist, Mrs. Laundon; 4. Holystone, Crispin Oglebay. 8 entries.

Junior Championship—Miss Greet, Ann Baillie. Reserve—Dixie, Bob Motch.

Teams of 3 hunters or jumpers—1. Holystone, Wilderkit, Crispin Oglebay; 2. Sand Artist, Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon; 3. Patron, Dasaki, Hunting Hill, Kathleen N., Mrs. Laundon.

Hunter Championship—Kathleen N., Mrs. Arthur S. Laundon. Reserve—Patron, Hunting Hill; 3. Sand Artist, Mrs. Laundon; 4. Holystone, Crispin Oglebay.

Judges—Hunters and Jumpers: Mrs. Cary Jackson, Orange, Va. Junior Division: Morton Govern, Port Chester, N. Y.

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International Show

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Billy Owen on Mr. Speidel's Springfield, were the other horses in the jump off. White Oak, who jumps best when he is held down until just outside the wings and then popped over the fence, went around the raised course with only one fault to win the goodly sum of \$200 1st money. Emperor with 2 faults was 2nd, Escalator with 3 faults was 3rd, and Springfield with 4 faults was 4th.

Jumping honors continued to be well distributed in the remaining classes. The 4'-6" class on Friday afternoon was won by Mr. Carl Speidel's Springfield with Ted Mohlman's Shadrach 2nd. The Touch and Out Class that night was won by Maurice Roberts' Wings of the Morning (making this horse a double winner with White Oak) with Mrs. Kellner's Cuirassier 2nd. In this class Wings of the Morning was shown under The Plainsman's number in error, and the latter may officially be shown as the winner of this class, but the honors are rightfully due Wings of the Morning, whose strong and clear cut style is unmistakable.

The Knock Down and Out Class was shown twice around over 4 jumps, ranging progressively from 4'-0" to 4'-9", and The Morris Stables Runnymede, who had been jumping well all week, but not quite well enough, defeated 36 others to be awarded first. Joseph Hale rode his Time Mark to take 2nd, Maurice Roberts rode The Plainsman for 3rd and after a triple jump off Ted Mohlman's Shadrach took 4th over Elston Stable's Magnolia.

Eddie Bruhns was unable to show Mrs. Thompson's Bruce and Grey Wolf during this class, due to a broken thumb, an injury incurred just that morning. Both horses were therefore scratched, as Eddie's handling of these horses cannot be matched or even equaled.

The International this year was better attended than ever before; horse show seats were at a premium and it was worth an arm or a leg to make your way through the crowd gathered around the ring. The horse show management doubtless would like a great many things of its exhibitors, but there are several things the exhibitors would emphatically like bettered. First of these is the space provided for the horses waiting to enter the ring which is an aisle between stalls, and in addition a main thoroughfare of traffic through the stock show. It is not only hard to keep a horse calm but it is impossible to warm him up at all, and in addition the mental hazard

is great. Looking down from the saddle all one can see is a sea of faces without even a square foot of unencumbered tanbark. In addition the 30'-0" between this aisle and the entrance to the ring are cement and a great many horses slipped and skittered on this piece. It is a little difficult for a lady's hunter to come calmly into the ring, showing perfect manners, when he has just stepped from cement where he was tickled and sometimes even hit by passers-by.

Second on the exhibitors' Christmas list would be an earlier schooling period. The only schooling time, for all hunters and jumpers, is following the last class of the night show. This, however, would probably be difficult to remedy as the ring is now used for stock judging during the day. In the third place, the going this year became quite hard the last half of the show and even the lightweight hunters sounded like heavyweights when they landed.

SUMMARIES

Hunters and Jumpers—1. Cuchulain, Mrs. Grace P. Sherman; 2. Magnolia, Elston Stables; 3. Grey Wolf, Happy Way Farm; 4. Bar Baffling, Stanley Luke. 32 entries.

Town and Country Equestrian Assn., Seat and Hand Class, Junior Preliminary—1. Gwyneth Lee Oliver; 2. Frank Atlas, Jr.; 3. Dolores McDonnell; 4. Madelyn Tarrant; 5. Jules Holl, 11 entries.

Children's Class, horsemanship, 14-17 years—1. Ernestine Morris; 2. Joan Blosser; 3. Joan Monroe; 4. Joan Woodside. 12 entries.

Hunters and Jumpers—1. Wings of the Morning, Maurice Roberts; 2. Danny Boy, John J. Anderson; 3. Bar Baffling, Stanley Luke; 4. Rvso, F. J. Anderson. 45 entries.

Town and Country Equestrian Assn., Seat and Hand Class, Senior Preliminary, 14-18 years—1. Ernestine Morris; 2. George La Beau; 3. Kathrine Sprague; 4. Louise Ford; 5. Patsy Dulde. 8 entries.

Town and Country Equestrian Assn., Seat and Hand Class, Junior Championship, 10-14 years—1. Martha Miller; 2. Peggy Orth Jones; 3. Kathrine Sprague; 4. Louise Ford; 5. Patsy Dulde. 8 entries.

Hunters and Jumpers, Touch and Out—1. White Oak, George Sadler; 2. Sharif, Mrs. William Chester; 3. Bobbie Burns, Raymond De Buck; 4. The Plainsman, Maurice Roberts. 41 entries.

Hunters, Lightweight—1. Master Johnnie, Happy Way Farm; 2. Hasty Lassie, Hasty House Farm; 3. Best Le Sou, Mrs. John B. Stokely; 4. Just-So, Stanley Luke. 26 entries.

Hunters and Jumpers, "The Handy"—1. White Oak, George Sadler; 2. Laddie, Dr. Walter McGuire; 3. Danny Boy, John J. Anderson; 4. Sharif, Mrs. William Chester. 22 entries.

Corinthian—1. Playinver, Black Top Farm; 2. Cuchulain, Mrs. Grace P. Sherman; 3. True Mark, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kellner, Jr.; 4. Best Le Sou, Mrs. John B. Stokely. 29 entries.

Heavyweight Hunters—1. Flying Andy, Mrs. Grace P. Sherman; 2. Jack High, Black Top Farm; 3. Rajah, Lt. and Mrs. H. A. Kellner, Jr.; 4. Drum Major, Capt. Gerald Peterson, U. S. A. 13 entries.

Children's Class, 17 years and under, child of an amateur—1. Joan Monroe; 2. Ernestine Morris; 3. Anne Krause; 4. Maxine Cooper.

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WARRENTON HUNT

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Monday, Dec. 8

The meet was down at Mr. Chilton's Gate, and with Japan's betrayal and the seriousness ahead, this department felt there was but one soothing solution, get it while you can. Out with Middleburg for almost 2 hours, during which time scenting conditions were zero-zero, and hounds drew the best fox-inhabited coverts from Dover through the "Shifty" Metcalfs, Jim Skinner's and the Crompton Smiths'. Longitude then brought this scribe home on the gallop to Louis Duffey's Mount Olive Stable.

Mrs. Mary Jackson and Mrs. Howard Hanna, Jr., then supplied the motivation for myself and my saddle, as Mrs. Jackson's van picked up Mrs. Laurens M. Hamilton's Satingale from her "Byrnelly Farm", near The Plains, enroute to Warrenton country, that we could be afield on the "Made to Order Eva Hamilton Day with Warrenton Hounds".

Mrs. Hamilton, who came a smasher with Orange County about a year ago has been slowly gearing herself to regular hunting again, hill-topping the while, to enjoy as much of the sport as possible. Anxious to see her friends go and her former home hunt hounds turn in sport, she vanned over for the day at Warrenton, to ride her Red Cap and her loyal colored stable-head, Richey Clark was riding her Randora.

Amory S. Carhart, M. F. H., was extremely thoughtful. He put on an extra-gate-man and turned over the regular gate-man, Bill Anderson as a personal guide for the hill-topping-visitor, with the instructions: "Keep Mrs. Hamilton up, close as possible without jumping", and then he advised in which direction hounds would draw. All this consideration for a hill-topper! and then to top it off, Mr. Carhart himself was back with Mrs. Hamilton through a number of fields, as hounds were drawing, with Mrs. Carhart taking followers on.

For an hour perhaps it looked like the 4 hunts this department had had on Friday, Saturday and Monday, all comparatively blank, would be repeated by Warrenton Hounds, too—they too had been veritably blank on Saturday, along with Middleburg and Orange County.

But not today was Warrenton blank. The old "2 o'clock fox" axiom worked. The meet was at 1 p. m., and shortly after 2, hounds rolled a fox out of a deep covert, to

be viewed by the hill-topper, given speedy chase for some 25 minutes to be denned on the old Gaines place, with but 2½ couple missing, these having gone off on another line.

These 2½ couple were almost the undoing for the writer and Whipper-in Shelt Grimsby, for these we gave chase. For the following 1 hour and 45 minutes we galloped, 1st in pursuit of the 2½ couple disappearing in the big woods, then in endeavor to return to the balance of the pack and to followers.

Hardly had hounds denned, than they sent away another red—this one a real rover, who carried on, describing two big free-running figure-eights, before a day was called after a some 12 mile gallop. Only at the end of this did we get up, and in the meantime Mrs. James Sinclair, riding her Chat and Tell, point-to-point winner of the Warrenton Bowl last season; Mr. and Mrs. Melville Church, III, both riding youngsters; Mrs. Carhart on Whoopy Bobby, by War Whoop, made so perfectly by Arnold Scruton, who recently sold the big 17.0 hand gelding; Mrs. Howard Hanna, Jr., of Chagrin Valley (Ohio), who said she had never seen so much hound work from such a close vantage point; Mrs. Mary Jackson, riding George M. Humphrey's Hobby Boy; and Huntsman Bywaters on "The Rockminister" (formerly raced as Lew Park), were all well up on a full 1 hour and ½ chase.

Twice they crossed Russell McGuire's enchanting new place, formerly the home of Warrenton's ex-Huntsman Jim Miller, and twice they crossed the Gaines property, where the 1st was denned, and all this sport was in the vicinity of the Church's farm. It was a great day, a buster one for horses and hounds, ideal scenting conditions, which were best as it got chiller along about 4:00.

The writer, feeling the fatigue of constant galloping and halting to listen, at the end of an hour and some, was about ready to say "Uncle", but was somewhat revived with Whipper-in Grimsby's: "Whew! We've had a tough time, haven't galloped this much in two seasons."

Riding home, another red was viewed, but hounds were too far back, and the day was getting dusk. This sport was all in the country of which the late Bill Street, Honorary Whipper-in of Warrenton, composed his memorable song: "Some fine hunting day", and Bywaters, Grimsby, Mr. and Mrs. Carhart said they oft deplored the passing of Bill Street, a man who was fun to hunt with and who made hunting fun.

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The Masters Of Foxhounds Association Of America

By A. Henry Higginson, M. F. H.

On the evening of the 14th of February, 1907, a number of Masters of Foxhounds met at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, in New York City, on the invitation of Harry W. Smith, and formed the Masters of Foxhounds Association of America, adopting a constitution and by-laws following generally along the lines of The Masters of Fox Hounds Association, in England. At that time officers were elected: President, Major W. Austin Wadsworth; Chairman of the Hunt Committee, Harry Smith, and Secretary-Treasurer, Henry G. Vaughan. These officers, together with Messrs. Westmoreland Davis, Edward Crozier, R. Penn Smith, Thomas Hitchcock, Sr., Charles E. Mather, A. Henry Higginson, and John R. Valentine, were proposed for a Hunt Committee. On the 15th of the following May, Messrs. Wadsworth, Hitchcock, Smith and Vaughan met at the Knickerbocker Club and made some revision of the constitution and by-laws as drafted at the previous meeting; the principal change being the substitution of an Executive Committee to manage the affairs of the Association, in place of the proposed Hunt Committee.

As far as I can remember, the activities of the newly-formed Association, in its initial year, were confined to the management of the Hound Show which had been instituted the previous summer at South Lincoln, Massachusetts, by a Committee composed of Robert F. Perkins, Charles W. Keyes, and the present writer. Although the Show was a great success, it was deemed wise to transfer it to New York, where the Westminster Kennel Club, thanks to the kindness of its Chairman, Mr. William Rauch, gave Peterborough classification for foxhounds and designated the last day as "Hound Show Day" for a number of years. This Show, although not held under the auspices of the Masters of Foxhounds Association of America, was recognized by them, and became an annual fixture until the entry of the United States into the World War, in 1917, the last year in which there was a regular Hound Show at Madison Square Garden.

Major Wadsworth, the first President of the Association, resigned after one year's tenure of office, remaining on the Executive Committee, but being succeeded in the President's chair by Thomas Hitchcock, Sr. In 1912, Harry W. Smith, whose energies were responsible for the foundation of the Association, was elected President, and he was followed, in 1915, by the present writer, who remained in office until 1930, when he resigned in favour of the late Henry G. Vaughan, who had held the office of Secretary-Treasurer of the Association ever since its foundation, and to whom the Association will always be deeply indebted for his many wise counsels and his tireless work on its behalf. It was through his efforts that the filing of maps of the Recognized Hunts was brought to its present state of completeness, and it was his cool head and legal acumen which helped to bring the Association through many of the troublous times which it had to encounter.

The years between 1915 and 1920 were critical ones for the organization; for not only was the country, during that time, involved in the World War, but it also had to deal with serious situations which arose in the government of sport, foxhunting, steeplechasing, and horse shows. Perhaps a short description of the governing bodies of these sports is not out of place here.

The Masters of Foxhounds Association of America is composed of Masters and ex-Masters of Organized Hunts, one of whom is from Canada, a Secretary-Treasurer, and seven members at large, each to serve three years and not be eligible to election to succeed himself. The members at large of this Executive Committee are elected from Districts, namely, New England, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and the Middle West; it has original authority and jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to organized hunting, registration and recording of hunting countries by filing maps of the same and otherwise; recognition of Hunts; changes or disputes in regard to hunting countries; and the conduct of organized hunting in general.

The Hunts Committee of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association is composed of ten members, of whom three are elected annually by the Board of Stewards of The N. S. & H. Association, and the other seven by the Recognized Hunts, according to Districts as specified above. It has original jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to Hunt Racing, Race Meetings, the issuance of Qualified Hunters' certificates, Gentlemen Riders' certificates, and amateur racing activities in general.

These two organizations, working in conjunction with The American Horse Show Association, which has jurisdiction over recognized Horse Shows throughout the country, formed a sort of tribunal, which, to my way of thinking, was one of the most important steps ever taken in the government of sport. The years which followed the adoption of this plan were difficult ones and fraught with many pitfalls. As President of the Masters of Foxhounds Association, Chairman of the Hunts Committee of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association, and a member of the Board of Governors of The American Horse Show Association, it was my privilege to act as a sort of liaison officer between the various organizations, and to see to it that the terms of the reciprocal agreement were carried out, and in this task Henry Vaughan, who, like myself, was a member of all three organizations, gave me the greatest help and support. We had bitter opposition from some of our members, who sought to secede from the parent body and set up a new organization of their own; but, to the firm, though moderate counsel of our Secretary, all discussions were ultimately brought to a happy conclusion, and the experience was a valuable one for Vaughan when he came to undertake the Presidency of the M. F. H. Association many years later. No one who knows the inside history of those times will fail to recognize the important part he played, least of all the men who served on the committees with him and knew how his wise advice helped to save us from disruption, and bring the ship safe out of stormy waters and into the calm sea again.

It seems odd to recall the days when half a dozen of us sat around a little iron table in Harry Stevens' restaurant in the old Madison Square Garden, when the annual meetings of the M. F. H. Association were held, prior to 1915. It seems odd, too, in these warlike days, to remember the

dinner which the Association gave in honour of Captain C. F. P. McNeill, in the dining room of The Riding Club, in East 58th Street. Our guest, who at that time was engaged on work for the British Remount Service, had been Master of the North Cotswold and the Grafton, in England, and had acted as judge at the Hound Show held on the day of the dinner. It was the first gathering of the members of the Association, and the custom of holding a dinner each year, inaugurated that night, has continued ever since. Although the Hound Show, held each year at Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, is recognized as the official show of the M. F. H. Association, it is at the time of the New York Show, inaugurated by and held under the management of The Riding Club of New York, that there is that great gathering of Masters of Hounds which has become the meeting place of sportsmen throughout the land. Among the guests at that festive board—the direct descendant of the "little iron table in Harry Stevens' restaurant already mentioned—have been some distinguished English Masters, the Chairman of the Jockey Club; the Chairman of the Board of Stewards of the N. S. & H. A.; the President of the American Horse Show Association, and other visitors of note. Here it was that, in 1930, the Hunt Servants Benefit Fund was started by the sale of two Welsh Foxhounds,—"Furrier" and "Ringwood", which had been most generously donated by Lord Davies, M. F. H., to be auctioned off at the close of the dinner. No one who was present that night will forget the spirited bidding which went on, or the masterly handling of the bidders by Benny Cook, at that time Master of the Jacobs Hill Hunt, who extracted something over two thousand dollars, and thus started a fund which was augmented that night by subscriptions to the total sum of \$9,110, as a foundation for this worthy cause.

Nor has the activity of the Association been confined to Hound Shows and dinner parties. It is not my intention here to give a detailed account of its many activities. Rather have I tried to tell something of the high-lights of its early days, of which perhaps I remember more than most of the present members. Henry Vaughan's death, in November of 1938, left a gap which it was hard to fill, and the committee of the M. F. H. Association, meeting a few days after he had been laid to rest, passed the following resolution:—

"That in the death of Henry Goodwin Vaughan the Association has lost a leader who for over thirty years has spared no trouble to further the aims for which the Association was founded, carrying on the work in the same wise and just manner in which he ruled his own life, and never failing to put the good of the Association before any personal feeling or consideration. That all of us who were brought into personal relations with him have lost a valued and dear friend whose death leaves a gap which can never be filled."

Vaughan was succeeded as President by W. Plunket Stewart, who, as former Secretary, was thoroughly familiar with the working and management of the Association. For many years Master of his own pack, well-known throughout the United States as Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Foxhounds, the new President brought to his office not only knowledge of the task, but also great personal charm as well as an enormous acquaintance among Masters of Hounds of America and England. To write of Mr. Stewart's reign as President of the Association would be to write contemporary history, and I shall not attempt to say more than to assure him and hunting men throughout the United States and Canada of the loyalty and trust of the older members of the Association, like myself, and express the hope that he will long remain at its head.



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Makes wraiths of horsemen, gives of
hounds no hint,—

Lulls all the senses, mutes the very
horn.

The covert reached, the ghostly
hounds "lieu in",

The very outline of the wood but
deeper gray,

The huntsman's cheer pitched to its
lowest note,

As if he feared his ill-conditioned
throat

Might wake too soon the gently
sleeping day,—

Shatter the fragile flask illusions
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Too soon the whimper of a question-
ing hound

Proclaims the scent and warns of
work ahead.

Aroused, at last, the Goddess of the
Day,

Capricious lady, dons a vesture gay
And flaunts her beauty as she leaps
from bed,

Bidding the birds attend her with
sweet sound.

All is astir, the monotone of gray,
The limpid air, the slowly rising
mist,

Take life, as tho some great dynamic
force,

Lavishing radiant colors in its
course,

Sweeps thru the world as lover to a
tryst,

Dispensing favors, bidding all be
gay.

As Earth her toilet makes with
practiced skill

A growing clamour makes the
welkin ring,

The newly entered hounds shriek
loud their joy

At pungent odors that their noses
cloy,

Awaking age old lusts to run and
sing,

To outwit, o'ertake, harry, worry,
kill.

Crows caw, jays scream, impatient
horses neigh,—

The shrill staccato notes of hunts-
man's horn

Stir beating hearts of horse, of hounds,
of men—

The lull before the dawn is lost to
ken,

The sweet repose, the beauty of the
morn,

Shattered by the cry "Gone
Awaay!"

The pounding hooves, the wind that
whistles by

No swifter than the pulse of those
that ride,

Send rhythmic surges thru the riders'
veins,

Each danger courting, each fear
disdains;

"Straight" is the byword, "Staunch"
what e'er betide;

The age-old gleam of hunters lights
each eye.

The turning, twisting cub, not six
months weaned,

Scarce matches twenty couples, tho
untried,

Hard pressed he leaves the wood and
sheltering corn

And seeks the distant earth where
he was born,

But eager puppies cannot be denied—
He dies a gory, fighting little fiend.

Another such, more favoured, gets
away

Displaying wit and courage seldom
found

In youth of any breed except the fox.

A strange and most unseemly
paradox

That creatures oft called vermin
should abound

In virtues man too seldom doth
portray.

Mocking the harshness just displayed
by men

The Goddess whom we welcomed
thru the haze

Turns full upon the earth her cruellest
frown,—

Pitiless and hot upon the earth
sends down

The scorching look reserved for cub-
bing days,

That cooks your horse and jades
your pack by ten.

The Huntsman's mournful note calls
in his hounds

Contention now to sweet content-
ment yields,

The strife and scurry of the sharp
intrigue

Make sweeter still the sweetness of
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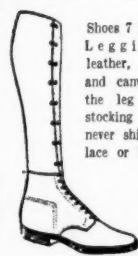
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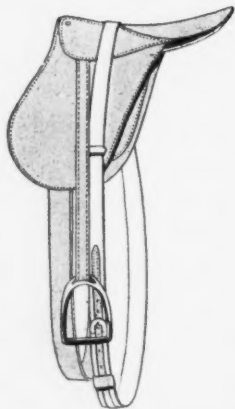
Kaufman in P. I.

Fort Stotsenburg, Philippine Islands, claims Capt. George M. Kaufman now. He was transferred from Fort Reno, Okla., last August and is with the Q. M. C. in the Philippines, "a long way from the show game, my horses are all turned out at Fort Reno until my return" he writes. When he was out in Oklahoma, he wrote following a show he rode his jumpers in out there: "The Chronicle is a ray of light in this terra incognita where people actually think that the gaited horse is the noblest of God's critters. This is still a vaguely uncivilized country. The shows consist mainly of saddle horse and stock horse classes, with one jumping class tacked on the end of each day, which is viewed by the populace very much with the same attitude as they used to watch the diving horses

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at the hippodrome. Jumpers and the people who ride them are still curiosities out here" in Oklahoma. These expressions were taken exception to by some natives out there who lacked the sense of humor that their pride and joy citizen Will Rogers was so famed for.

War Delays Marriage

Catherine Hulbert and Lt. Lewis Murdock were to have been married shortly after Xmas. Miss Hulbert was visiting the Air Corps Officer Ex-Gentleman-Rider out in Michigan, when Japan cut loose. His orders read: "California" last Tuesday, and then presumably Honolulu, though he's been busy flying pursuit ships, those Lockheed dual motor babies. The wedding day has been postponed indefinitely. Catherine is well known in Virginia, the daughter of William P. Hulbert, of Middleburg, and the late Mrs. Hulbert. She is a keen one-afield fox-hunting, Lewis, worth pounds to a man's horse between the flags, was a hard-luck rider, accepting many doubtful mounts, but always getting the best of them. He may be recalled as the winning rider of the Fox Hunters Challenge Plate after a fine hand ridden finish. Lewis is Lieutenant Murdock now, a graduate of Uncle Sam's finest air-corps school, capable of handling 400 mile an hour interceptor ships.

Mary Pettus

One of the most enthusiastic fox-hunting and horse show ladies of the Bridlespur Hunt and St. Louis land, Mary Pettus, is to be married to Dr. Willard Daniel Rowland, on Tuesday, December 16. From Clayton, Mo., Mary will move to Rochester, where she will be after the 1st of the year.

Well Named

Mrs. Marshall Field, III named one well, even though he ran last in his 1st start. By Omaha out of Proximity, Mrs. Field thought of Council Bluffs. (If you know your geography, Council Bluffs is nearest in proximity to Omaha, just across the river in Iowa). Mrs. Field and John Wise, her secretary of the National Horse Show, were out with Middleburg Hunt on Monday the 1st of December, and caught that good run. She rode her Sporty, he his Jeb, and both went the whole way on top with Mr. Sands. Regulars of Farmington Hunt, they reported Farmington's card read: "Hounds will not go out until it rains". Mrs. J. P. Jones and Rodger Rinehart are joint-Masters of Farmington, and hounds did go out recently, split on a red and a grey and accounted for both foxes, killing.

Saratoga Stakes

George H. Bull, pres., F. Skiddy von Stade, vice-pres., and John A. Morris, secy., have sent out the word that the closing date for 1942 and 1943 stakes to be run at Saratoga, will be December 15. For current yearlings, there is The Hopeful, some \$40,000; The Spinaway, some \$10,000; The Travers, some \$22,000; and The Alabama, some \$12,000. Of course, the Spinaway and the Alabama are solely for fillies. The other stakes closing are the United States and Grand Union Hotel Stakes, each with \$10,000 added.

McLaglen Disperses

Victor McLaglen's thoroughbred breeding farm, Balfe Ranch, a farm is a ranch in California, has been dispersed, to make way for a beef cattle raising program, a dairy and piggery. The actor's action is in response to the government's request that agriculturists raise all they can for defense. War, the 13-year-old chestnut son of Man o'War, out of Milky Way, was purchased by Dr. R. V. Morledge of Billings, Mont., enjoy brief ownership. War was who was but to enjoy brief ownership. War was kicked on a radius bone and was injured so severely that it was necessary to destroy him. November 9 was the date of an auction which saw the remaining McLaglen thoroughbreds dispersed. The imported stallion Bachelor's Gift, who had been at the ranch with War was purchased by the Mill B. Stables, of Lomita Park, Calif., and will be taken on to Marshfield, Ore., where he will stand at stud with

L. C. Lyons. The auction averaged \$240 for the some 20 thoroughbred mares and two sires.

South American Way

Jeanne Norweb, daughter of the American Ambassador to Peru, is a new subscriber to The Chronicle. Down in Lima, Peru, there are many keen foxhunting and racing fans from this country, including Colonel Johnson, there with the Remount Division of the Peruvian Army. Miss Norweb attended several sessions of Pimlico 'chasing, saw Caddie win the Battleship, and there it was that J. Brooks B. Parker, 'chasing owner, advised The Chronicle to send a subscription to Miss Norweb, care of the American Embassy in Peru.

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